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Weekdays find Mary Coburn (*Marcia*, p. 17) at her associate editor's desk at *Reader's Digest*, where she has worked for the last 20 years. For fun she writes



fiction and plays, paints "cityscapes," sings, plays the piano, swims or travels. She gets excited over new ideas, loves children, and has a Sunday-school class of "marvelously alive and intelligent twelve-year-olds."

Intensive farming on a 50' x 132' lot, which also includes a house and lawn, is hobby of Roy H. Murray (*They Traded Bleachers for Teachers*, p. 10★). His record is 13 kinds of fruit and 11 vegetables growing at one time. A Methodist minister and married to a Methodist minister's daughter, he served pastorates in Washington and Idaho, edited adult publications at David C. Cook Publishing Company, is now a free-lance writer. Son Mark graduated from Cornell College last June; Gordon finishes next year.

Oldsters interest Donna Crouse (*Mr. Stickle Goes to Church*, p. 23), especially those who have lived long and warmly in association with young people. She says of her main character: "He writes his own stories. It's easy for him because Matthew Stickle's life is full of lovin' and helpin' time." At her home in Freeport, L. I., she enjoys gardening cooking, visits with her two grown daughters, fun with Stephen, her son, 9.



Winner of an essay contest at the age of 12, Rowland D. Hughes (*I Never Sprouted Wings*, p. 21), has been editor of the *War Cry*, New York Salvation Army magazine, for nearly 17 years. Proud grandfather of two, Lt. Col. Hughes lives in Springfield Gardens, L.I. He quips: "I have kept my religious experience unsullied despite twenty years of commuting on the subway."

Bonus: 32 pages on church building (following p. 64). Bound separately, this section goes free to the pastor of every Protestant church in the U.S.

September brings brisk pro and con looks at the controversial "right to work" laws; lookers are two working men, both with labor union backgrounds. *Confessions of a Minister's Wife* takes you behind the scenes in a parsonage. And a big Religion in the Home section, with Albert and Ann Williams, and others.

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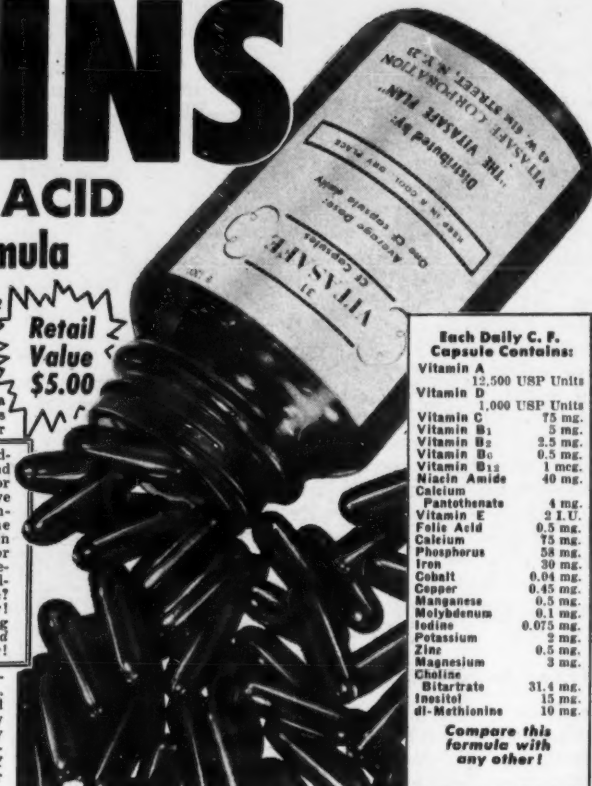
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● *I am a high-school girl and will be grateful to you for giving me your idea on evolution.*

ILLINOIS

S. S.

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Age of Accountability

● *What is the age of accountability—the age at which a child may intelligently accept Jesus Christ as his or her personal Saviour and be allowed to partake of the Holy Communion?*

IOWA

(Mrs.) R. M. S.

The answer to this question cannot be standardized. I know of instances, one in particular, where a little girl of six was thoroughly competent to make her Christian decision and did. Today she is one of the finest young Christian women in a Philadelphia church. My mother always took her children to the communion table with her—I do not remember when I first went. Also, churches have their own rules and regulations. I have answered this question as best I can.

Liquor for Ladies' Circle?

● *The Ladies' Circle of our church (Methodist) has card parties in a clubhouse which serves liquor. These parties are public. Though liquor is not served directly at the Circle, some Circle members go to the bar and drink. The party is advertised in the name of the church and the minister's wife is present. What do you think?*

MASSACHUSETTS

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Where After Death?

● *What is the place and state of "departed spirits"? Where are we immediately after death?*

PENNSYLVANIA

(Mrs.) G. R.

I do not know the particulars of the state and place of "departed spirits," but I am sure that after death, immediately and always, we shall be with our Heavenly Father, that we are in His hands and that we shall be dealt with justly and with love.

Conference to Combat Communism

● *I am very much interested in the program and activities of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. May I have the address of this organization? I believe others would be interested, too.*

PENNSYLVANIA

(Mrs.) C. G. D.

The address of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism is: 906 Edmonds Building, 917 Fifteenth Street, N.W., Washington 5, D.C.

Church Fellowship Dinners

● *Please give me your candid opinion on the serving of a fellowship dinner*

in the social room of the church. Do you think that such a dinner is contrary to the spirit and teaching of Jesus Christ?

PENNSYLVANIA

R. C. H.

I know of no scripture that bears directly on the question you raise, but I certainly believe that such a fellowship dinner as you describe, held in the social room of the church, is clearly within the spirit and teaching of Jesus Christ. Paul wrote, "The letter killeth but the spirit giveth life."

Jewish Historian Quoted

● *Why did you not quote Josephus when referring to our Saviour in secular history? In "Josephus' Historical Works," The Antiquities of the Jews, Book XVIII, Chapter III, paragraph 3, page 535, the great Jewish historian refers to Jesus as "the Christ." He bears testimony that "the tribe of Christians, so named from him, are not extinct at this day."*

CALIFORNIA

N. E. E.

The quotation is correct. However, all Jewish scholars and many Christian scholars and savants insist that the statement quoted appears in a later edition of the "Historical Works" and that Josephus did not write what is found on page 535, Chapter III, Book XVIII. I quoted only what is generally recognized and fully established as authentic. But I am grateful for this letter, which justifies me in quoting the later edition of the great Jewish historian which many Christians do accept as authentic.

Council Work

● *What do you know about the Vermont Council of Churches? Do you think a young college girl would be happy and safe employed with this Council for week-day Vacation Bible School work?*

OHIO

(Mrs.) E. B.

I think well of this particular Council of Churches, and I would be happy to have my daughter so employed.

"The Beautiful Story"

● *There is a copy of "The Beautiful Story" in our home library. Are you acquainted with this book? Is it still in print? Where are such books as this available?*

TENNESSEE

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The Church's Shining Rays

By GLENN H. ASQUITH

"If you just squinch your eyes," said the small boy—"if you just squinch your eyes a little and look at a light you see long rays of light going in all directions! One comes at me, one is on the ceiling, one touches you, Daddy—why, there is one on almost everything!"

The lad was right, of course. But the light viewed with wide-open eyes kept secret the extent of its pointed and particular illumination. The light is a benediction in the darkness, but its myriad beams are concealed in the total glory. And how carelessly we say, "Turn on the light, will you?" So with the church. Sometimes it is taken so much for granted. Perhaps if we would just "squinch" up the eyes of our understanding for a few moments we might see how the church

"... sends its shining rays
Far down the future's broad'ning
ways."

A strong ray would be seen touching our schools. The light of learning which flickered for a long time during the Dark Ages of man's history has achieved a steady glow from the light extended by the church. We can trace the church's role in the organization and growth of most of the honored institutions of learning all over the world. Many were founded for the chief purpose of preparing men for the ministry, and this preparation consisted not only of imparting theological knowledge but of also providing a liberal education so that the young men might go into far communities and be the "parsons" or "persons" of learning. "Clerks" and "clerics" were those

people who could read and write. Throughout history the strongest advocate of universal education has been the church.

Another ray shooting forth from the church falls on our hospitals. Hospitals represent mercy, and the church has long preached just that. It has established and fostered the institutions dedicated to the kindly, loving care of the physically disabled. What a different world from that of pagan times where the weak were cast out as unworthy to be considered in the bustling life of a cruel age! Many of our present-day hospitals are part of church organizations, and some are served by nurses of religious orders.

OUR "squincing" eyes are bound to see a ray reaching out to the homes for the aged. Even in our enlightened times there remain tribes who expel old people because they use food which is needed by the young. We draw back in horror from such a practice because the church has taught us reverence for those who have done their work and are now too old to continue to do their share of the labor. Thanks to the study of the problems of age in church-illuminated schools and hospitals, more of us live a pleasant, richer life as we advance in years.

And there are the institutions which care for the incurable and the mentally disturbed. Though many of these people will never be able to return to a normal life, they find sanctuary and understanding where rays from the church gild with eternal purpose the aid which is offered them.

How rays of light shine on orphan-

ages! From the beginning, the church has accepted the God-given task of caring for the fatherless. A donor of an orphanage and school in one city made the mistaken provision that a ten-foot wall should be built around the property—to keep all clergymen away. He did not “squinch” his eyes or he would have seen that the rays from the church can never be kept out by such a barrier.

Not only do we see the shining rays of the church touch places where there is preparation for life or retreat from its injuries; rays shine where there is great activity and promise.

They shine into our homes. Church influence is responsible for our modern idea of family life. Women are no longer immured within the house, or veiled when they come forth; our children are not treated as army recruits under severe discipline. To us a good home is a shared place of joy and worship. The Divine Founder of the church blessed little children and used the figures of fatherhood and motherhood in His teachings, and He went into homes such as that of Lazarus, Martha and Mary to relax in the congenial atmosphere.

Into industry, too, the rays push with unabated light. The teachings of the church have molded men who have concern for the lives and welfare of all who produce the things which keep mankind fed, clothed, housed and busy. The workers of pagan times were largely recruited from the slave class. Now labor is an honored calling, and the wages and working conditions of workmen are a matter of public concern. Acting on such words as, “the laborer is worthy of his hire,” and “do not muzzle the ox that treads out the corn,” experiments have been made by the church, and men fired by the import of the Gospel have given their lives trying to improve the lot of the working man. Several of the most noted labor leaders of England and America started out as clergymen or licensed lay preachers.

Into halls of legislation come the church rays. How few are the autocratic rulers in today's world! In 1914 a large part of the earth's surface was under the power of kings and emperors and czars who recognized few limits to their control over life and death and conscription. Now democracy, constitutional monarchy and self-expression are the key words. Even in lands where tyranny reigns, power must be maintained by possessing the minds of men as well as their bodies, for the church has planted in them aspirations for freedom.

So we see a few of the rays of the church—the bright, shining rays—reaching out with beneficent fingers into all

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AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?

What sort of future has Sang Gi, crippled by a bit of shrapnel? What are his chances, begging on the streets of Seoul, with his homemade crutches? He has no home, no parents, no schooling. He has a good and intelligent face, but—?

Is his future any business of mine? Should I be concerned with cripples and the needs and suffering of others? When I have enough to eat should I be worried because others don't, including little children? Should I care, when I was lucky enough to be born in America instead of India, where the majority of people do not get enough to eat and some are actually starving? What is the reason I was not born in Korea, like Sang Gi? There are still 35,000 homeless children in Korea. Why don't I live in a hut made of rubble, old tin cans and half rotten scraps of wood in Southern Italy, Hong Kong or in a crowded Austrian refugee camp? Why don't I happen to be a man with a job in Calcutta, working steady every day for long hours, who sleeps in the streets every night because my job does not pay me enough to share even a single room with a dozen other persons—a room without a stitch of furniture or protection from flies, swarming with bed bugs and without any sanitary arrangements whatever?

I am a Christian. Does that make me my brother's keeper? When my stomach is full must I be concerned about others, whose stomachs are empty? Must I? Am I *compelled* to think about these others? Or is it just, God helping me, that I *want* to think about them and because I have a heart, desire to help them?

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"I REMEMBER"



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THERE is a greater depravity in not repenting of sin when it has been committed, than in committing it at first. To deny, as Peter did, is bad; but not to weep bitterly, as he did, when we have denied, is worse.—EDWARD PAYSON

UPHILL

Does the road wind uphill all the way?
Yes, to the very end.
Will the day's journey take the whole long day?
From morn to night, my friend.

But is there for the night a resting place?
A roof when the slow dark hours begin.
May not the darkness hide it from my face?
You cannot miss that inn.

Shall I meet other wayfarers at night?
Those who have gone before.
Then must I knock, or call when just in sight?
They will not keep you standing at the door.

Shall I find comfort, travel sore and weak?
Of labor you shall find the sum.
Will there be beds for me and all who seek?
Yea, beds for all who come.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

From William A. Otto, Fresno, Calif.

WE ARE the two halves of a pair of scissors, when apart, Pecksniff, but together we are something.—CHARLES DICKENS (from "Martin Chuzzlewit")

Where there is love
There must be faith;
And where there is faith
There is peace indeed;
Where there is peace,
There must be God—
And where there is God
There is no need.

—Author Unknown

From Martha D. Welling, Freehold, N.Y.



IT would be so helpful, if just once in a while we could accept other people in terms of their own destiny instead of ours; if we could only remember that each man's life is his one short chance at happiness, fulfillment, at being at all.—Author Unknown
From Mrs. J. S. Ballantine, Absecon, N. J.

Hear the welcome of the rain!
Patter, patter,
Tuneful chatter
On the flashing fire-lit pane.
Hear the honeysuckle creak
As the winds its secrets seek,
Twisting through its matted vines.
And the windows how they rattle, bang and batter,
Pitter, patter,
Dripping chatter,
Tripping through the shingled roof,
Filling up its liquid woof.
How the notes each other throng,
Making up their slumber song.
Full of softly drowsy lines,
With their drip and rush and gush and clatter!
Pitter, patter,
Dripping chatter,
Hear the night-tide of the rain.

Herbert Sylvester

From G. Harry Nelson, Poughkeepsie, Wash.

LITTLE GIRLS are the nicest things that happen to people. They are born with a little bit of angel-shine about them and though it wears thin sometimes, there is always enough left to lasso your heart—even when they are sitting in the mud, or crying temperamental tears, or parading up the street in mother's best clothes.

A little girl can be sweeter (and badder) oftener than anyone else in the world. She can jitter around, and stomp, and make funny noises that fuzzle your nerves, yet just when you open your mouth, she stands there demure with that special look in her eyes. A girl is Innocence playing in the mud, Beauty standing on its head, and

Motherhood dragging along a doll by the foot.

God borrows from many creatures to make a little girl. He uses the song of a bird, the squeal of a pig, the stubbornness of a mule, the antics of a monkey, the spryness of a grasshopper, the curiosity of a cat, the speed of a gazelle, the slyness of a fox, the softness of a kitten, and He adds the mysterious mind of a woman.

A little girl likes new shoes, party dresses, small animals, first grade, noise makers, the girl next door, dolls, make-believe, ice cream, kitchens, coloring books, make-up, cans of water, going visiting, tea parties, and one boy. She doesn't care so much for

visitors, boys in general, large dogs, hand-me-downs, straight chairs, vegetables, snow suits or staying in the front yard. She is loudest when you are thinking, the prettiest when she has provoked you, the busiest at bedtime, the quietest when you want to show her off, and the most flirtatious when she absolutely must not get the best of you again.

Yes, she is a nerve-racking nuisance, just a noisy bundle of mischief. But when your dreams tumble down and the world is a mess—when it seems you are pretty much of a fool after all—she can make you a king when she climbs on your knee and whispers, "I love you best of all!"—ALAN BECK

What is your favorite quotation or bit of verse? Include source and author and your own name. Sorry, no items acknowledged or returned, and no original material used.

"We're Making It Ring, Man!"

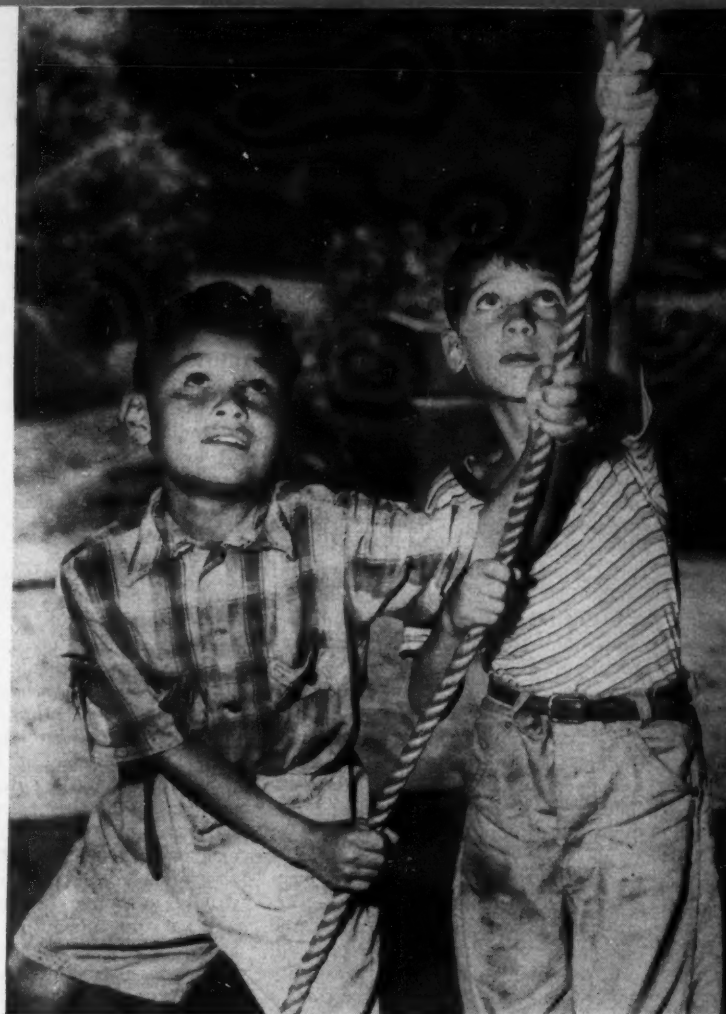
THE two boys had heard bells before they came to "Mont Lawn." But in the congested tenement areas of the big city, bells were only remote sounds from distant steepled towers. If there were bell ropes in the city, they never reached down far enough for a little boy to get hold of, even if little boys had been allowed near them.

"We're making it ring, man!" is the repeated incredulous gasp of youngsters who win the treasured assignment of ringing the bell of "Children's Temple" at the Christian Herald Children's Home high above the Hudson River. Their small, tense hands carefully spaced on the bell rope, they find that they have to pull in unison, work together, to make the deep-toned bell ring out. From their hands the rope reaches upward—into the sky, it seems—to rock the big bell back and forth, calling children of many colors, many faiths, many unhappy and underprivileged backgrounds, to worship the one God who loves them all and can give direction to their lives.

The bell, big as it is, inspiring as it is, melodic as it is, does not ring until they pull the rope. What an experience for a tough little rough little boy who never before so vividly understood that God needs him! And what an experience for all the children who come happily to the church scaled for them, to sing together, pray together, listen and respond together to stories of the One who changed the world by His unselfishness and love.

The "Mont Lawn" summer season is fast slipping by. But there is still time for YOU to have a share in providing a two week's free "vacation with a purpose" for a tenement boy or girl. Without your help, some child may never learn that love is a better way than hatred, that kindness is better than craftiness, that friendliness is better than fear. It takes teamwork, togetherness, to make the bell ring and to provide all the physical and spiritual blessings that the bell symbolizes.

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THE NEWS

• AT HOME •

SUMMIT: Whatever the pinnacled posture of the Big-Four spokesmen (and does anyone, outside or even inside Russia, know who's the Kremlin's Mr. Big?), did they actually speak at and from the "summit"? We shall see, as their words and deeds are scrutinized in days to come. Perhaps it was not, as Mr. Nixon direly warned, the world's "last chance." For perhaps it was not a summit meeting, at all. There was no meeting at the summit if it was not a meeting at the summit of man's faith, at the summit of his idealism, at the summit of his unselfish aspiration. In the clean, clear atmosphere of that kind of summit, vision lengthens, horizons widen, points of interest assume new relationships. If peace is possible anywhere, it is possible there.

A meeting held on any lesser plane than this, whatever the rank of the participants, whatever the flourishes and ruffles attending agendas or communications, is no meeting at the summit. Mere maneuvering for advantage, mere outguessing, mere propagandizing, is not summit politics but precinct politics. If the real summit was not reached, human kind, far from exhausting the possibilities of peace, has not even explored them.

"ISSUES"? With the national elections of 1956 approaching as inexorably as the tides, "issues" are as scarce as unused coonskins. Times are good, war is remote. Peace and prosperity make just about an unbeatable combination—of this the Democratic masterminds are ruefully aware. Some of them are miffed at Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson. He's a peacemaker, not a troublemaker, too bipartisan to suit the boys who are out for Republican blood. He tries to minimize friction, not maximize it. And for the first time in many an administration, divided government is without acrimony and stalemate.

It wasn't that way during the second two years of Mr. Hoover's administration, when the Democratic Congress was not only hostile but hateful. Nor was it that way during two years of Mr. Truman's administration, when the overconfident Republican Congress

was out to "get" the President and was instead, to its bewilderment, got.

THE COURT: The Supreme Court has recognized all along that it had a porcupine by the tail. Desegregation was a legal problem, but it was more than that. It was an emotional problem. The legal aspects demanded firmness. The emotional aspects required restraint. The Court has shown that it possesses both. As Senator George of Georgia interprets the directive, "Go slow—but go." No deadline is fixed. But U.S. district courts are charged with seeing that progress is made, and eventual desegregation accomplished. Radicals on both sides of the issue, spoiling for a scrap, were disappointed. They looked for a Sherman they could march under or against. They didn't get one.

GAW: It stands for Guaranteed Annual Wage, name for a blithe idea not yet realized and probably never realizable unless and until you have a Guaranteed Annual World. Rain, hurricane, tornado, a hydrogen bomb, a million and one other contingencies make income and life itself unpredictable. Ford and GM of course didn't grant, and the UAW didn't get, a guaranteed annual wage. Even so, business tycoons trembled as Walter Reuther took on Henry Ford, III. There was no joy in Mudville when mighty Henry struck (in their estimation) out.

What did the auto workers gain? Simply a boost in unemployment compensation, a straight raise, other benefits. The company puts aside five cents per hour per employee. The fund will build up to a maximum of \$55 million. If a workman is laid off (and provided present laws are changed), he receives unemployment insurance supplemented from the company fund for a total of two-thirds of base pay (after taxes) for four weeks; 60 per cent for 22 weeks; after that, nothing. If the company fund runs dry, he gets only his state unemployment benefits.

It added up to a bit of pioneering, but hardly to an economic cataclysm.

MORAL VETO: At the fiftieth anniversary convention of the Advertising Federation of America, a business executive made some rather remark-

able statements. Clarence E. Eldridge is executive vice-president of Campbell Soup Company. Said he: advertisers should be assessing their own share of blame for juvenile delinquency. "We permit to be brought into our living rooms in the guise of decent family entertainment television programs, sponsored by our most respectable advertisers, which a generation ago would have made the most hardened burlesque-goer blush." And, he asked, "What about the books which currently pass for literature, the plays that win Pulitzer prizes, and movies that glorify—in the name of realism—sex and tawdriness and vulgarity?"

Mr. Eldridge turned his guns on movie advertising in newspapers. "Is it any wonder that sex crimes, by adults and teen-agers alike, have increased alarmingly, when we see the way that sex is glorified and flaunted before the eyes of these same teen-agers?" In his opinion, an advertising medium should "exercise its power of the purse to recapture at the very least a veto power over the kind of entertainment with which it will associate itself. And we as advertisers have an identical right to be equally selective and discriminating in our selection of the media we shall use and thereby support."

It's Mr. Eldridge's company, by the way, that sponsors "Lassie," one of the best family TV shows on the air.

COURIER'S CUES: Expect car prices to rise, as a result of wage increases. . . . Still looks like tax drop next year—but many a slip 'tween an expected cut and the dip. . . . If Mr. Nixon is overruled for Vice-Presidential nomination, Harold Stassen might be acceptable. . . . Criers-of-alarm who predicted we had almost exhausted our iron ore supply have been proved wrong by new process that will get ore from taconite—and there are more than five billion tons of it in Mesabi Range alone. . . . Clem Attlee won't be Britain's Labor Party boss many more months, observers predict. . . . CBS is planning to turn over \$100,000 to a committee including religious leaders to discover how TV can best serve the public.

Labor's next demand: 30-hour week. . . . And labor's next mass organization field: white collar workers. . . . President Eisenhower plans to give his second-term yes or no next March. . . . Employment may hit all-time high of 64 million this fall. . . . Indonesia could be taken over by the Communists by the end of this year.

• ABROAD •

ARGENTINA: Juan Domingo Peron was no longer fighting competing politicians whom he could jail and



NEW CHURCH HEADS: (l. to r.) Southern Baptist Convention—Dr. Casper C. Warren, Charlotte, N. C., minister; American Baptist Conv.—Frank A. Nelson, Racine, Wis., businessman; United Presbyterian—Dr. George A. Long, president of Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary; Presb. Church in U.S. (Southern)—Dr. James McDowell Richards, head of Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Ga.; Presb. Church of Canada—Dr. Walter T. McCree, Toronto minister.

exile. He was no longer fighting the courts, that he could pack and intimidate. He was no longer fighting a great newspaper, which he could expropriate. He was fighting the religious traditions of more than 97 per cent of his people. Why? Because dictators require disorder and intimidation to stay in business. Although religion is not a burning issue with all Argentinians, most of them practice the forms. Whereas to them *disestablishing* a state church might be an impersonal decree, *burning* a church is a personal and shocking deed.

Be that as it may, Mr. Peron has not overnight changed his spots. He is and always was a dictator. He came into power with a military clique of Nazi-supporters, managed to climb out of the imbroglio on top. Strangely, there was no cry of excommunication then! Nor in 1947, when he was awarded the Vatican's third most important decoration, a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of Pope Pius IX.

Many Roman Catholics, it would appear, have forgotten that Mr. Peron was ever a dictator. And many Protestants, it would appear, forgot during these latter days that he still was.

TALK: The initial phase of the job of laying the first Atlantic telephone cable is about half finished. The entire project will take two years, cost \$40 million. Already, 18 telegraph cables span the Atlantic, the first one laid in 1866; they cannot be used for voice transmission. Radio presently does the job, but it is at the mercy of sun spots and other assorted distortions. The cable presently being laid will carry conversations Europeward. Another cable, to be laid twenty miles to the north, will carry the return conversations. Both will be in operation by the fall of 1956. Built into the new lines are fifty-two amplifiers costing \$70,000

each. All this to add 36 extra telephone circuits! All this to make talk possible across the Atlantic!

Yet there are people who say the UN is of no account because it provides for nothing more than talk. Talk is cheap, goes the saying. And so it is, even at \$40 million or—and especially—at the \$14 million approximate annual cost of U.S. support of the United Nations. Any device enabling the human family to communicate ideas—and that quickly, before tensions build up and prejudices harden—is a bargain.

PRISONERS: If anyone needed proof that we are living in a new kind of world, they saw it deep in the news of Red China's release of four American prisoners. The words were something like this: "Secretary of State Dulles today sent personal messages to United Nations Secretary-General Dag

Hammaraskjold and Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, of India, thanking them for their help in getting Red China to release the American fliers."

It looks as if the day of single-handed, lone wolf politics is just about over.

BONN: Fast-paced events in Europe give rise to soap opera-like tantalizers: Will Mr. Adenauer go to Moscow? Will Tito slip back into the Communist orbit? Will the Kremlin desert East Germany? And the only answer that anyone can offer is, "Tune in tomorrow, same time, same station." Maybe you will find out then, maybe you won't. Precise predictions of what will happen may be an engaging game for pundits, but it's only a game. They don't know either.

The one inescapable fact is that Russia, switching tactics, proposes to deal directly with Western Germany, not with the Big Three. Until now, Russia has regarded West Germany as a puppet of the U.S., not as a country at all. Now the Kremlin bows low and deferentially calls it, as it should be called, the "Federal German Republic." Russia desperately wants to get West Germany out of the Western camp. So long as Mr. Adenauer is in power, it probably won't happen. But Mr. Adenauer is no young man. Nor are his people insensible to further blandishments.

ALGERIA: The U.S. gave France tanks, planes and guns for France's part in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which was planned for the mutual defense of Europe. When rebellion broke out in Algeria, France asked permission to use these armaments against the nationalists. The U.S. indignantly refused. So France went ahead and did it anyway! All of which puts the U.S. into the fight on



EXCHANGE OF OFFICE: Dr. Paul S. Wright of Portland, Ore., new moderator of Presb. Church in U.S.A. (right) receives "Celtic Cross," symbol of office, from retiring Dr. Ralph Waldo Lloyd.



BILLY GRAHAM IN PARIS: The American evangelist joined welcomers in singing hymns on his arrival in Paris for a five-day crusade. First rally in huge sports arena drew some 9,000 persons, with 500 decisions made for Christ.

the side of colonialism, despite our unwillingness. Protestations will be unconvincing in the face of U.S. labels on weapons in the hands of a French division pulled out of Germany.

Why the French determination to hold Algeria? National pride, mostly. It's located between Tunisia (3,600,000 Moslems, 150,000 Frenchmen) and Morocco (7,500,000 "natives" and 350,000 Frenchmen). Algeria is the biggest, with 8 million Moslems and one million Frenchmen. To Frenchmen, Tunisia and Morocco have been mere colonial outposts. When trouble in Tunisia couldn't be scared off, France gave it home rule. But to Frenchmen, Algeria is France—as much so as Normandy and Burgundy. Algeria, seeing Tunisia getting her freedom, wants freedom too.

● CHURCH NEWS ●

PROTESTANTS: While attention is focused on Argentina, take a quick look at the Protestant situation in that predominately Roman Catholic nation of over 18 million population. There are 415,000 persons who list themselves as Protestants or evangelicals. The Protestant population of Argentina has increased twelve-fold during the past sixty years, while the national population has only doubled. Indication that such Protestantism as exists is well rooted may be seen from the fact that only about 15 per cent of such members worship in languages other than Spanish. There are seven Protestant theological seminaries in Buenos Aires. Co-operating in Union Seminary are the Methodist Church, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., and the Waldensians. The Buenos Aires Bible Institute also has a number of co-operating denominations. The Southern Baptists have just built a

new seminary. Also there are Missouri Lutheran, Nazarene and Pentecostal seminaries, plus a Salvation Army training institute. A United Lutheran seminary is in the planning stage.

FELLOWSHIP: Two items caught our eye this month. The first, in the Roman Catholic magazine, *Extension*. Their motion picture reviewer compares the "Protestant" film, "A Man Called Peter," and the "Roman Catholic" film, "The End of the Affair," and concludes that for once, the Protestants have come out ahead. Says the review: "Rarely, if ever, in making a film about a Protestant minister, has any Hollywood producer avoided shallow treatment. Sometimes it has seemed that film producers deliberately treated the 'preacher man' downright shabbily. . . . Now it happens we have a Protestant theme ('A Man Called Peter') developed with rich, human overtones, and a Catholic theme ('The End of the Affair'), in the screen translation of which the red blood of the original seems to have become frozen."

Item two: The congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Rensselaer, N.Y., sent a congratulatory message to Msgr. John F. Glavin, pastor of St. John's Roman Catholic Church, on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of his ordination. Said they: "Your influence for good has been felt in many aspects of the life of our city. Many of our own people have been privileged to regard you as their friend and all of us salute you as an honored Christian neighbor."

Would we had two such items to record every month!

BAPTISTS: Delegates of the nine-year-old Conservative Baptist Association kicked up their heels in convention assembled. They (1) longingly eyed

not only the "territory" of the American Baptist Convention, in which area they are presently and with some success operating (598 affiliated churches, most of them ABC pull-outs), but also virgin Southern Baptist "territory." Commented the Rev. B. Myron Cedarholm, top executive of the association, "Not only have modernism, Convention machinery and worldliness shown themselves in the American Baptist Convention, causing a great exodus of churches over the years, but now these same destructive forces are seen working in the Southern Baptist Convention."

(2) Delegates rebuffed their board of directors by electing Mr. Cedarholm—who was passed over by the board—as their new general director. Motivation of their slapdown: to "show that we have no hierarchy."

(3) One agency, the Conservative Baptist Fellowship, declared its independence financially, politically and organically of other CB groups. Dr. Chester F. Tulga, one of its leaders, told Religious News Service that CBF did not want to be told by CBA what it could or could not print.

YOUTH: Why do teen-agers and young adults leave the churches? Of 605 youth interviewed in a recent National Council of Churches survey, 32 per cent of the young people and 25 per cent of the young adults reported they had dropped out because "I just lost interest in the program." All had been active previously. Other reasons given for leaving church programs included marriage and family responsibilities and conflicts with hours of employment or school activities. Only a little over one per cent reported they dropped out in reaction to being forced to attend as children. Suggested solutions to the problem offer no new easy "out." Same old nose-to-the-grindstone slogging, which, after all, is the biggest part of any going project anywhere: well-planned programs; capable and sincere leadership; friendliness to newcomers; varied activities.

MEANING: Dr. Paul J. Tillich of Union Theological Seminary, New York, told a national gathering of Protestant and Orthodox churchmen that today's "average preaching" is failing to help millions of people who hunger for a meaning in life. The church, he said, "must give people the sense that Christian faith is a healing reality, not just a set of doctrines, rituals and moral laws. Fringe movements of the church, sectarian and evangelistic movements of a most primitive and unsound character, have had a great success," he pointed out, adding, "The church cannot take this way, but it must understand that the average kind of preach-

ing is unable to reach the people of our time."

Probably Dr. Tillich would classify Billy Graham as a "primitive" evangelist. But Billy's successful. He's presenting Christianity as a way of life. Norman Vincent Peale would probably get the Tillich tag "unsound." But he's showing Christianity as a healing reality, and you could call him pretty successful at it.

We wonder what is, by Dr. Tillich's definition, adequate preaching. Who is a prime example of a theologian's preacher? What is the way the church can take, and who, presently striding down that path, is doing a good job of reaching the people of our time? We'd seriously like to know.

IN BRIEF: Disciples of Christ Historical Society is building a headquarters and archives building at Nashville, Tenn. . . . New Jersey Senate is asking for a prayer room in the State Capitol. . . . American college students are showing more interest in religion than they have for decades, says Dr. John Oliver Nelson of Yale Divinity School. . . . The National Council of Churches will co-sponsor with World Council a study conference in 1957 to explore "The Nature of the Unity We Seek." . . . Billy Graham has been invited by the Protestant Council of the City of New York to hold a meeting in that city starting September, 1956. . . . Dr. Graham's Scotland and London meetings produced 77,348 decisions.

United Lutherans are launching a newspaper advertising program. . . . This month, three Baptist preachers from U.S. make a two-week visit to Russia, and a deputation from the National Council may be next. . . . United Presbyterians and Presbyterian, U.S.A. will pursue possibility of merger without waiting for the Southern Presbyterians. . . . The Reformed Church in America last year for first time spent more than \$1 million for foreign mission work.

A Protestant youth organization in Switzerland has urged revocation of the constitutional ban on Jesuit activity in the country. . . . Legislation has been introduced in Congress to raise Senate chaplain's salary from \$2,946 to \$5,000 a year, make it a full-time job; the House has done such already. . . . A net gain of 2,826 Boy Scout units was achieved in Protestant churches in 1954, to a total of 34,806 units. . . . Died: sacred music composer F. Melius Christiansen, founder and retired director of world-famed St. Olaf Lutheran Choir. . . . New president of Fuller Theological Seminary is Edward John Carnell, succeeding Harold John Ockenga. . . . *Guideposts* moved into new permanent quarters at Carmel, N. Y. . . . Church World Service ex-

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JUVENILE COURT: Citizens of Kanawha County, W. Va., including clergymen, hear charges against young offenders in juvenile court meeting in Charleston. Judge (center) subpoenaed 25 citizens to hear such cases, in order to center community attention on the problem.



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pects to distribute over 141 million pounds of U.S. government surplus food to needy persons overseas this year.

• TEMPERANCE •

THERE YOU ARE: *Variety*, cherished newspaper of the entertainment world, reported that TV comedian George Gobel came under the guns of Texas Methodists recently. An annual conference of 1,000 preachers and laymen adopted a resolution condemning him for his closing remarks on one of his popular shows. Gobel apparently thought he was being funny when he said, "You've heard you can't buy happiness. Sure you can. Just stop on your way home and pick up a fifth."

Remarks of the Rev. J. Roy Gibbs were quoted at length by *Variety*: "In view of the continued nuisance advertising of the liquor and beer industries and particularly in view of prepared and ad lib remarks on many well-known radio and TV programs, which remarks are designed to make friends for these industries, to make sport of drinking situations, to make it appear as if drinking were the normal thing to do, your Conference Board of Temperance earnestly requests the co-operation of all Methodists in registering our opinion with local stations, national networks, sponsors and individual performers." And there was more. A fairly complete report.

It wouldn't do any harm, when you're registering that opinion, to tell them that it looks from the living-room side of the TV screen like a last-gasp piece of barrel bottom scraping, when humor has to go alcoholic.

SELF-TEST: Dr. Henry Newman, a Stanford University medical scientist who specializes in the effect of alcohol on the system, suggests that in the not-too-distant future, coin-operated drunkometers may be available. You would drop in a coin, breathe into a bag, and out would come a little slip showing how much alcohol there is in

your blood and indicating whether you should drive home or let somebody else take the wheel. What to do with the cocky character who is positive he's sober as a judge, refuses to be bothered, and careens off down the road—Dr. Newman doesn't say.

Trouble is, alcohol attacks the already built-in drunkometer. Physicians attending the huge AMA meeting in Atlantic City were told that large-scale consumption of alcohol "whittles away" brain cells that control will power. Said the report: This loss of control is a main factor in the cause of alcoholism.

KRUSHCHEV: If his sails are trimmed within the next few months, don't be surprised. The "impregnable" Nikita S. Krushchev, Communist party head of Russia, proved that he was as irrational as the next man under the table, during the much-publicized grand tour to Yugoslavia. Following a vodka and caviar reception given by the Soviet Embassy just before the Russians left for Moscow, the chest-thumping, back-slapping, heavy-drinking Mr. Krushchev had to be helped to his car. Said one diplomat who was supposed to be impressed: "These are second-raters." Said another, "I certainly would not want them running my country."

CARDINALS: Less than two and a half years ago, Anheuser-Busch purchased the St. Louis Cardinals for \$3,750,000. Now it's reported that the brewery wants out, lock, stock and barrel—even at a loss. The "poor showing" of the club is one of the published reasons. Another is that "certain deals which the club has made," according to a copyright story in the New York *Herald Tribune*, "are believed not to have been an asset to the sale of Budweiser beer." One of those deals was the trade of Enos Slaughter to the Yankees. Fans and press disapproved. It was bad for Budweiser. Clearly, the brewing company expected the ball club to be a gigantic and profitable advertisement, but the plan backfired.

Editorially Speaking...

• PERON AND THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE current struggle in Argentina between Peron and the Roman Catholic Church is an invitation to muddy thinking in the United States. Both Protestants and Catholics have been prompt to accept that invitation and have expressed themselves accordingly. Certain of these Protestant leaders have rejoiced openly because Roman Catholics are now also being persecuted on their own continent. They have seemed to identify Peron, the dictator, as a great crusader for separation of church and state. On their part, Catholics are naming Peron an "anti-religious Hitler," while the hierarchy excommunicates him.

The Protestants speaking in the above manner are too obviously activated by anti-Catholic feelings. Unwittingly they are aligning themselves with, and becoming, tools of subversives and Communists and of all other anti-religionists. They do not seem to realize that the Protestant head may be next on the block.

Catholics, on the other hand, are conveniently forgetting that, as the *New York Times* stated editorially, "... the hierarchy never did oppose him in the past and in fact helped him to his first Presidency in 1946." In Argentina today we have convincing proof that the hierarchy will go with dictators, even with a Mussolini or a Peron, so long as dictators do not repress the Church. Is it not unmistakably clear that a ruler is not judged by the Roman Catholic hierarchy for his justice, for his competence, but, first and finally, for how he treats the Church?

We submit, for the United States, the present controversy in Argentina confirms and points up the wisdom of our own founding fathers in denying preferential treatment to any and every faith. Granted that a state religion has definite attractions for the faith that is chosen, there is always the threat of death in that cup. The struggle in Argentina is a timely object lesson to Americans—Protestants and Catholics and all others. Separation of church and state is, for us, the first imperative of American freedom.

• YOUR CHURCH PAPER

IN THE current issue of one of my favorite exchanges appears an editorial which deals with the place, problem, opportunity—and necessity—of the denominational journal. While the editorial is of immediate concern to one denomination, this sentence has, in principle, equal application to all:

"A strong denominational publication is especially needed in the Reformed Church, a small denomination scattered from coast to coast, with many congregations so far removed from others that their only continuous contact and fellowship with the church is through *The Church Herald*."

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and it will not be accused of bias or of any ulterior motive when it goes squarely on record as supporting the above statement. No interdenominational journal can possibly take the place of the official denominational publication. CHRISTIAN HERALD would see *The Church Herald* of the Reformed Church in America in every Reformed Church home.

• PROMOTING PROTESTANT UNITY?

"THE President of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.," reported George Dugan in a special to the *New York Times* from Los Angeles, "was sharply critical here of the 'isolationism and go-it-alone-ism' of 'most' of California's public figures. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, who is also chief administrative officer of the Presbyterian Assembly, as he addressed a public meeting in connection with the 167th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., let go in all directions. He found himself 'forced as a rule to apologize for California across the nation.' He assailed what he termed the 'non-Christian attitude of certain leaders.' Criticizing United States Senator William Knowland, he said: 'Should not a well known Senator from this state fear the votes of professing Christians when his isolationism and Asiatic imperialism reveal him as clearly non-Christian in contrast to the President? ...' Referring to United States Representative Walter H. Judd, he commented: 'A former medical missionary now in Congress insists that any attempt to talk to the Chinese Communists is a betrayal of those whom the Communists have martyred. ...' Also, in this same spirit, he attacked Dr. James W. Fifield, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles: 'The loudest ecclesiastical voice heard from this area has long been known as a spokesman for the most reactionary of political and economic interests in the nation.'"

On China and the Far East Dr. Blake has misrepresented both United States Senator Knowland and Congressman Judd—grievously misrepresented them. Secretary of State Dulles has also warned against raising our hopes too high and has pointed out Russian perfidy in the past. And, by all the tests of Christian service and sacrifice, neither I nor Dr. Blake is worthy to unlatch the shoes of Walter Judd.

Dr. Blake is correctly identified as President of the National Council of Churches. But when he speaks in such a vitriolic and highly personalized manner, he does not represent and he does misrepresent the overwhelming majority of his fellow Protestant Christians. He does not advance Protestant unity.

Daniel A. Poling
EDITOR OF CHRISTIAN HERALD

Mitchell Hooks



He stood holding the slight, limp figure, torment written in his

MARCIA danced up into the summer house and bent to smooth the sleek head of Mimi, my gray and white cat. A certain tenseness in her attitude made me wonder if this visit held something more than her usual morning call. Her pale golden hair hung straight and short on either side of her slender face. Seen in profile, the softly rounded chin and high cheek bones reflected character startling in a six-year-old.

"Do you know what I do first thing every morning when I open my eyes?" she asked suddenly.

"No. Tell me." I reached for a rose hip on the far side of the bush.

"Pray."

Something in her voice stopped my hand and the shears pointed immovable in mid-air.

"Do you pray for something in particular?" I asked.

"Yes. For my daddy to love my mummy."

Slowly I lowered the shears. "That's a splendid prayer," I said quickly.

Glancing up, I found her quiet brown eyes riveted on my face. They searched mine with piercing directness. Presently a shy confiding smile crept across her face and gave it a spiritual light that caught my heart. I smiled back

but my peace with the day had disappeared.

I put away the shears and sat down on the top step of the summer house whose unobstructed view reached across layers of hills of Putnam County. In the fifty years I had lived here the vista had remained the same.

"I suppose children *do* make a big difference." I barely caught the words.

"They certainly do," I answered warmly. "I wish I had six!"

"Do you really!" Marcia abruptly left off stroking Mimi to sit down beside me.

"I really do."

"Oh." She gave a little sigh and quickly bent her head.

"I missed you yesterday in Sunday school," I said casually. I wanted to put my arm around her, but did not.

"I wanted to come. Mummy was busy with baby sister. Daddy got back from the city too late to get up in time to bring me."

JOHN Coster, her father, a man of tremendous physical vitality and mocking wit, had come out into the country from the city to paint some six months ago. An abstractionist, sure of himself and his work, he had gained considerable reputation but not much (Continued on next page)

ILLUSTRATOR: MITCHELL HOOKS

Marcia

By MARY COBURN

his eyes. Had his life been so full of himself and so empty of love?



Lady, You Listen Sweet

By RUTH C. IKERMAN

SKIPPING down the street, perhaps on an errand for her mother at the store, she stopped in front of our house. I looked up from my sweeping of the front sidewalk as she said, "Lady, I know a song I can sing."

So I leaned against the broom and said, "Do you really? Would you please sing it for me?"

Then she sang, this little girl of five, her thick short braids bobbing over her shoulders. It was not a very clear tune, and the words were not too intelligible, but she sang it through to the end.

"Thank you," I told her gravely. "Do you know any more songs?"

She jumped a sidewalk square closer toward me and said, "I know lots of songs. I'm going to be a singer when I grow up and sing on television and make lots of money for my mother."

When I asked her if she minded if I went on sweeping while she went on singing she assured me that she did not.

Gaily she sang as I swept, and at the end of each tune I said simply, "Thank you." When at last she had finished all the songs she knew, she came closer and said, "Lady, I guess I don't really sing so good. They don't like to hear me much at home. But I sure like to sing—and you listened!"

Her face was happy as I said of course I had listened, and wasn't it lucky I decided to come outdoors and sweep just as she happened by and felt like singing?

She came closer and put one hand on my house dress and the other on the broom while she looked at me intently. Then she said in almost a whisper: "I want to tell you something. Lady, you sure listen sweet."

With that she was off, down the street, to finish her errand, without so much as one backward glance. I stood there against the broom, watching her running figure, and hearing again the words she had just spoken, "Lady, you sure listen sweet."

It was one of the nicest compliments ever to come my way, and all because I had let a child sing to me. Thoughtfully I walked toward the house, hoping I could remember this moment long and well.

For there will be times when an old friend wants to tell me of a heartache, or when my husband comes home from work burdened with problems, or a sorrowing friend wants again to tell me of her grief.

Many of us are at a loss to know the proper words to speak at difficult times in the lives of those we love. But any of us can learn to keep still. We can all listen sweet.

THE END

money. When inspiration failed, he still fled to the city to argue all night with his cronies on the theory and direction of art. All his premises and conclusions began and ended in the mechanism of the human mind. For him the realm of the spiritual did not exist. The first day he had come to enter Marcia in school he had made that clear.

Elaine, his wife, dark as he was in coloring, but slender and delicate in bone structure, was all spirit and flame. Her restless eyes framed by straight black brows shone with a brilliance that dimmed the fairness of her skin. I could see in Marcia Elaine's high cheek bones and red curving mouth. Both had long slender necks and when their chins were uptilted, as Marcia's was now, an exquisite crescent ran from chin to collarbone.

"Would you like to go back to the city?" I asked Marcia.

"Oh no. I love it here." She hugged her knees with her arms. "But it's a lot harder for Mummy. She has eight new egg customers. I didn't miss a single egg this morning, Mummy said. The hens can't fool me any more."

A robin in back of us experimented with a phrase:

Marcia rose and faced me with quiet dignity. Her light tan frock, obviously homemade, hung awkwardly from her shoulders like a sheath, but could not hide her grace. "I expect I'd better go home now. Mummy may need me."

"Then I expect you had." I reached out and cupped her chin with my hand. "How about a glass of nice cold milk before you go?"

"Oh, I'd like that!" She laughed, skipped up the steps of the summer house, then down again, backwards.

We started down the slope to the house, Marcia leaping along beside me in a kind of dance, her hair jogging up and down in the sunlight. I could still feel her tenseness. Then I made a sudden decision. "When we get to the house," I announced, "I'll telephone your mother and see if all of you can't come to dinner tonight."

The Costers' small brown house was some ten minutes' walk up the road from me.

Marcia stood still before me, like a little statue of herself. Then she quickly moved to my side, brushed her head against my arm and broke away again, her face alight. "I'll get the milk," she called happily as she flew down the path.

I WAS in the pantry helping Hannah with the water glasses when I heard voices. I glanced out of the window and saw John Coster striding down the path, carrying Cary, Marcia's baby
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Eskimo minister Roy Ahmaogak developed an alphabet and primer for difficult local dialect, previously only spoken. Now everyone learns to read and write.

In the vast white Arctic country that is his homeland, Roy Ahmaogak is minister, teacher, counselor (often even iceman!) to his people

By

MIRIAM WOHL

NORTH POLE MISSIONARY

FOR those who enter the dedicated field of missionary work, the exception does not prove the rule—it is the rule. When they first hear the call of God's voice, missionaries are liable to respond in any number of ways. Some will rush to accept the challenge of His bidding. Others will approach with cautious humility. Others will momentarily turn their backs, denying they have heard. And others will run as fast as their legs can carry them.

Such a one is Roy Ahmaogak—a full-blooded Eskimo, born in a house of whalebone and sod some 300 miles north of the Arctic Circle. Three times Ahmaogak ran away in an effort to

stifle the voice. Once he harnessed his dogs, piled his sled high with household goods, took his wife and four children and fled into the wilderness. For four years he "hid out from God," during which he provided for his family by hunting and trapping. The living was good, and he believed he was happy. At least he thought he had escaped the voice.

That was twenty-five years ago. Today Roy Ahmaogak is minister of the Presbyterian Church in Wainwright, Alaska. People meeting this 54-year-old pastor for the first time are amazed that he has been ordained only since 1947. His manner, they insist, is that

of one born to the manse. Ruefully Ahmaogak will reply that he prepared for the ministry by being in flight from it for most of his life.

Even as a child Roy Ahmaogak began his quietly desperate struggle to resist God's voice. His parents were among the first Eskimos to be converted and educated by Presbyterian missionaries. Although Roy's father was an expert hunter and trapper who longed to spend his life in the wild reaches of the far North, he settled down in the small town of Barrow, Alaska, so that young Roy might receive the benefits of Christian teaching

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Though he is devoted to his work in Wainwright, Alaska, Ahmaogak still loves long trips over the frozen wilderness.



Lines of a Layman

BURDEN BEARERS OF THE RACE

J. C. Penney



IT HAS been my observation, and no doubt yours also, that *when need arises God always lays a burden upon somebody's heart and a task upon somebody's shoulders*. This is the simple story of achievement and progress. This was what happened with Moses, Gideon, the prophets, the twelve disciples, and most of all with the Son of God. To these might be added a long list of more modern men and women who, being aware of a great need, assumed a noble task.

Who has not heard of Father Damien, who at 33 volunteered for service in the Hawaiian leper colony? At a time when there was no organization, no sanitation, and little constructive activity for these unfortunates, Father Damien helped build houses, dig ditches for a water supply, alleviated suffering as much as possible. In due time hospitals were established, with resident doctors and nurses. After serving there fifteen years, Father Damien himself died a leper's death.

David Livingston did more to break up the slave trade in Africa than did any other man; Dr. Wilfred Grenfell gave his life in service to Labrador Eskimos; Dr. Walter Reed threw his all into a battle to conquer yellow fever; crippled, suffering Louis Pasteur labored day and night in his laboratory, in spite of abuse and ridicule, to isolate the dread virus of hydrophobia. To these might be added scientists, teachers, philanthropists, businessmen—in fact, people both great and small from every walk and vocation in life. The human race has indeed been blest with a glorious host of self-forgetful benefactors who found their chief joy in bearing the burdens of others.

at the local missionary school. Roy seemed to take to his new surroundings. He quickly became proficient in English, listened with growing interest as his father read from the family Bible, and finally graduated with honors from the eighth grade. Roy's missionary teachers were delighted with this alert, dynamic youngster. They eagerly appointed him official interpreter of the mission, and made him a Sunday-school teacher while he was still in his teens. In Roy they were sure they saw a quiescent religious fire and spirituality that were merely waiting to be awakened. They predicted for him a brilliant future as a native missionary. Yet one day when they casually spoke of the plans they had in store for him, they were astonished by the fierceness of his reply, "I'm not going to be anything else but what my father was—a brave hunter and trapper."

Thinking this merely the youthful heroics of a healthy and active Eskimo boy, Roy's missionary teachers decided that they needed simply to bide their time. And they were encouraged in their hopes when they saw that despite his vigorous life as a young huntsman,

Roy continued to assist at the mission and also teach Bible class. But what they did not know was that in Roy Ahmaogak there was a mounting struggle—a struggle in which he was having to fight harder and harder to quiet the insistent voice that was speaking louder and louder in his heart.

Finally, when he was about 21, his missionary friends decided the time had come to speak seriously to Roy. "You ought to study for the ministry," they told him. "You've had an excellent background—and you owe it to your people." Roy's reaction was to say abruptly, "My school days are over. I'm a grown man now. I intend to get married"—and to leave suddenly the next day for a prolonged hunting trip.

HIS missionary friends waited nine years before again urging Roy to relinquish himself to God. This time Roy recoiled with even greater fear. "Don't be silly," he replied angrily. "Now I have a family to look after." And with that he took his wife and four children and vanished into the northern wastelands for four years.

And then one day Roy Ahmaogak returned as suddenly as he had left.

He said that he had come back only so that his children would not be deprived of their school and church education. But what his friends quickly observed was that he hungrily returned to his former work of being an interpreter and assistant at the mission. He took up his old duties as a church elder. He taught Bible school. And he devoured the books that had arrived at the mission during his absence.

Two years later the missionary at Point Barrow, about to leave on a year's furlough, pleaded with Roy Ahmaogak to take over his church. "If you don't, I'll lose everything I've built up here. You're the only one who can save it. You may not realize it, but you've been in training for years without knowing it. You know as much as the average seminary graduate does right now."

Once again Ahmaogak's answer was to harness up his dog team and go racing off into the tundra. But this time he knew why. He knew now that this battle was his own, that he had to fight it out once and for all, that no one could help him. And he knew that he had to make his decision now or never.

He cannot tell clearly what happened out there. He knows only that a great weight inside him turned over and melted. Those close to him say that afterward, instead of the fierceness that had always welled up in Roy Ahmaogak, there was now only gentleness and humility. When he finally surrendered, he was 47 years old—and the father of eleven children. Looking back, he believes that he always knew God would win. "I was always a very stubborn man," says Ahmaogak, "but God was always just a little more patient. Although I tried desperately to run in the opposite direction. He was always gently steering me toward His service. It was years before I would listen to my heart—but in the end I had to do what the voice said."

Roy Ahmaogak filled that Point Barrow pulpit for a year as a lay preacher. And when the regular minister returned from his furlough, Roy eagerly accepted the responsibility of opening a mission station 90 miles south of the little town of Wainwright. It was here, while ministering to his own people, that he undertook the challenge of two great problems of his missionary career. One was the great difficulty of foreign missionaries in mastering Inupiat—the local Eskimo dialect—which has no grammar or alphabet, and which can be learned only after years of close association with the Eskimos. The second problem was a more personal one. He had a growing feeling that despite all his avid reading and

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I NEVER SPROUTED WINGS

Who of us—including the author—has not longed for a magic flight away from all care and trouble? Though we can't so totally escape, there's a way *through* life's problems

By ROWLAND D. HUGHES

DRAWING FROM BETTMANN ARCHIVES

MANY years ago when I was a benighted nipper of nine, I wanted wings—a good strong pair of wings so that whenever the spirit moved me I could zoom into the blue yonder and go tearing through the air with the greatest of ease. I couldn't understand why I didn't have them! I couldn't figure out why the good Lord—who had made man just a little lower than the angels—hadn't made wings standard equipment for all human beings. Think of all the wear and tear it would save!

Obviously someone had fallen down on the job. I was convinced of that. And if I had had an Aladdin's lamp I would have soon made what I considered to be highly necessary improvements on my figure. In my ignorance, of course, it never dawned on me that by so doing I would be burdening myself with any number of impossible problems. I would never be able to put my shirt on. I would have to roost most of the time in a tree. In the summer I would bake under my suffocating, water-repellent coat of feathers. I would often be shot at by trigger-happy hunters. And I undoubtedly would be considered a freak and probably end up in a side show with the Dog-faced Boy and others.

None of these possibilities, however, bothered me. I wanted wings, and that was all there was to it. And so one day, after wishing and hoping had failed to turn the trick, I set out to build my own wings. I hadn't, of course, the foggiest idea of how to go about it. But that didn't faze me. I got together some wrapping paper, thin wood, cord, glue, a few two-penny nails, brads and some other odds and ends—and I set to work. Inside of a couple of hours I not only had the wings laid out but I had also scurried around to my cronies and informed them that I would be taking off from the top of the barn at precisely two o'clock (E.S.T.), and if they wanted to see history in the making they had better be there.

THEY were there all right. Every kid in the neighborhood was standing with his neck craned, mouth open and eyes bugging when I climbed to the barn roof, slipped the wings over my head, pushed my arms through the loops and advanced to the edge.

The end, as I recall, came suddenly. At two o'clock I leaped into the air. At two seconds past two I hit the ground. My device came crashing down about my ears. In fact, parts of

it were *in* my ears. I saw stars, rockets and pin wheels. I had a wrenched thumb, a number of deep cuts (I still have one of the scars), and a wide variety of scratches, bruises and bumps. More dead than alive, I was half carried, half dragged to my home where I was placed in the anxious arms of my mother.

I don't recall what my mother said to me on that occasion. Perhaps she didn't say anything, she was that busy fanning the breath of life back into me. But I'll never forget what my father said when he got home that night and looked down at me on my bed of pain. Father spoke bluntly. "Keep this up and you'll kill yourself. God gave you two perfectly good feet. Get wise, son—use them. Forget wings. Forget them forever. You were built for the earth. Stay on it. The sooner you realize this, the happier you'll be—and the longer you'll live."

I wised up in a hurry. I quit flying then and there. I promised the Lord and my loved ones that I was through with it for all time. I've kept that vow inviolate.

Yet as I look back I think my decision was dictated not so much by fear of injury as by fear of being con-

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Mr. Stickle was so easy to talk to that
one day Ginna blurted out her troubles.

Mr. Stickle goes to church

AT dinner Ginna knew that the bad moment had come. Peter began telling his father about Mr. Stickle. "You ought to see him, Daddy. He has a doodle cane and a pocket watch. And he says he's a watching man. He sits in the park every Sunday and watches people coming out of church. Did you ever hear of a watching man, Daddy?"

Ginna felt the puzzled question in Frank's eyes and blurted, "He's just a nice old man Peter and I struck up a friendship with. He—"

"We sit on the bench with him and talk to him a long time," interrupted Peter. "He has very red cheeks because his mother scrubbed them so hard when he was a little boy—seven like me, he said. They stayed clean all his life. Doesn't even have to wash them."

"Now, Peter, Mr. Stickle didn't tell you that at all. He said—"

"It's not like you to take up with a strange man in a park, Ginna," Frank reproved her. "So that's why you're so late getting home from church."

Ginna put down her glass. "He's just

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By DONNA CROUSE

ILLUSTRATOR:
JOHN FERNIE





A vacation church school is Bible-centered. Here every pupil is provided with the Book and the class is shown deep in Scripture study.



It may not be harmonious, but hymn-singing is loud and joyous at summer Sunday school.

Sunday School Every Day



The small-fry have their first taste of tithing, during the offering at chapel services.



Handicrafts are integrated with religion at Hicksville vacation school.

Left: A tiny flaxen-haired beauty says grace before drinking from her cup.

CHRISTIAN HERALD



A choir of older girls is conducted by one of their own number in the Hicksville Church sanctuary.



The Rev. Nicolas Nappi, leader of the vacation church school at Hicksville Methodist Church, addresses his young charges.

PHOTOS BY ORLANDO FROM THREE LIONS

DAILY vacation Bible school provides a strong answer to those conscientious churchgoers who bemoan the woefully small time devoted to Christian education of the young. There's no Bible study at public school and but one short hour is given to it Sunday mornings at church.

At Hicksville (N. Y.) Methodist Church and at many others throughout the country, two solid weeks during the summer are devoted to teaching the youngsters the ABC's of Bible knowledge, leavened with handicrafts and play.

In 1953 there were 89,984 vacation church schools in the U.S. with a total enrollment of 6,249,533 pupils and teachers. There is every reason to believe that these figures were improved upon last year and will be further increased this year.

Activities during those two weeks at Hicksville Church are pictured on these pages. Bible study, hymn singing, group services and prayer, craft projects and organized play—all are directed by a consecrated corps of teachers.

THE END



Their bicycles parked in the rear, the vacationing boys and girls have a go at arts and crafts in the bright sun.



Teacher helps a bewildered little girl find the text for the day in Scripture.

All is not study at the summer school; there's time for play and laughter too.

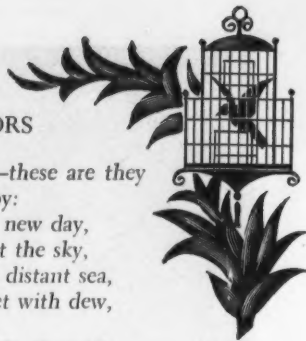


WHITE SPLENDORS

These are earth's white splendors—these are they
That lift the spirit as time passes by:
The first white light that heralds a new day,
The flickering wings of gulls against the sky,
White moonlight shimmering on a distant sea,
White roses through an evening wet with dew,
Unbroken snow in its tranquility,
The guiding light of stars a dark night through.

And deep within man's spirit—something more—
Unshaken faith that sheds a clear white light,
High hope that knocks forever at his door
And will not be denied—all these are white,
And holiness gleams white across earth's sod,
Revealing the splendor of the truths of God.

—Grace Noll Crowell



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a harmless old fellow, Frank. And he's very sweet and wise, too. In fact, I think his philosophy is wonderful. I'd really like you to meet him."

Frank moved his chair, an annoyed frown on his face. "Well, I don't want to meet him—not anybody who sits around on benches. What do you know about this character? The trouble with you, Ginna, is that you're too friendly. The first thing you know, you'll be letting yourself in for something."

"Mom told Mr. Stickle that you wouldn't go to church with her," piped Peter.

Ginna stiffened in her chair as Frank gasped and scowled in her direction. And then his eyes went darkly back to Peter. "You've finished your dessert. Now get upstairs and pick up the stuff in your room like I told you to."

Peter got up reluctantly. "I don't see why you talk so mad about Mr. Sticky. He's nice." He grinned. "Oh, I guess I called him Mr. Sticky again. He doesn't mind though. He says he's glad his name isn't Mr. Stuffle. Because then I'd call him Mr. Stuffy, and he likes Sticky better than Stuffy. He says—"

"Enough of that," thundered Frank. "Get upstairs, I told you."

A moment later he was turning on Ginna, his gray eyes almost savage. "Do you mean to say that you've gotten so confidential with some stranger that you've stooped to tell him your private business? Well, now I've heard everything!"

The tears shot into Ginna's eyes, and she got up from the table. "Oh, I'm sorry I told him, if it upsets you so. I just couldn't help myself. And I never

told anyone else, if that makes you feel any better. There's something about that old man that makes you want to tell him all your troubles."

Frank folded his arms furiously. "Troubles. You don't have any troubles. Do you call my not going to church with you a trouble? I thought we had that out. Sunday is the only day I have to putter around the house."

"You have Saturdays."

"I never relax on Saturday. Peter and his bunch of kids are always under my heels. And get it out of your head that I'm not religious. I am religious. I've even been inside a church a few times. But I'd rather do my praying at home. I don't have to go to a church to do it."

FRANK'S feet were violent on the stairs. Fine thing, she thought, when he scolded Peter often enough for pounding the steps that way. Ginna felt wretched as she cleared the table. She had been lucky—out of all her dreams about being married, only one hadn't come true. But it was one that meant a lot. Every Sunday she looked around her after church service and saw women with their husbands—just as she had pictured herself and Frank. There was something especially nice about married people together in church—it was almost as though nothing else could so well express two people's unity.

It had been a long while since she had mentioned his going to church to Frank. Funny, how she had just blurted out the truth to that amazing Mr. Stickle. The little old man had tapped his cane thoughtfully. "I wouldn't be the one to criticize your

young man, seein' as I haven't been inside a church myself in a long while. But I know how you feel," he added slowly. "Yep, I know how you feel."

She and Frank barely spoke that evening. Not that he seemed angry any more—just hurt—because Ginna had complained about him to a stranger. Ginna knew, without being told, what was happening inside him. *I will never tell things again*, she said to herself. Frank was a wonderful husband—and a good man, too. Good to the neighbors, willing to help anyone who needed him. The fact that he wanted to keep their differences quiet was only right.

Later she heard Frank and Peter talking in the bedroom. When she went in to kiss the boy good night, she found herself asking guiltily, "Did Daddy say any more about what happened at supper?"

Peter flushed and looked at her out of the corner of his eye. "He said it wasn't nice for me to tell things that you said."

Ginna's eyes went moist. She took a deep breath before she said, "You have the best father in the world."

Peter sat up in bed, his round eyes shining. "I know it," he said. "And Daddy said something else too. He said that lots of good men sit in parks. And we can talk to them too, if you say it's all right, and if he's old like Mr. Sticky."

IT WAS unusual to find the old man sitting in the park on Tuesday. But when Ginna went to pay her electric light bill, he was there doodling in the dirt with his cane. "I was thinking," he said. "Today would have been my golden wedding anniversary."

"It's a shame that your wife couldn't still be with you," Ginna said softly.

Mr. Stickle looked up quickly. "Oh, I never had a wife. Before I even knew a girl, I figured on getting married when I was twenty-one. But when it came to the pickin' I couldn't pick. No, what I meant was this would have been the golden wedding if there'd been a wedding."

She laughed softly and patted his arm. "You're priceless," she said. And then, impulsively, she found herself asking him for dinner the next Sunday.

There was a spray of surprise and pleasure in the old man's eyes. And then his pink face shadowed. "You're sure your husband won't mind?"

Ginna's heart slipped a little. "Frank likes company," she said. "Just be waiting here after church, and we'll walk home together . . ."

All the way home she consoled herself with the thought that in the end Frank had softened about Mr. Stickle. But having the old man to dinner was

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Anderson's tiny silver cross goes to work with him daily.

When Bud Anderson pinned the emblem of a cross to the lapel of his business suit, he turned his job as a traveling salesman into an exciting spiritual adventure

By MARCUS BACH

CARROLL (Bud) Anderson of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is a traveling salesman. He would be the last to say that he has a story, but the first to admit that something has given him new inspiration and direction in his work and put him close to the top among the 200 men of the Butler Manufacturing Company. Butler makes the big corrugated steel grain bins which dot the countryside of rural America, and Anderson has been with the firm for seven years. But it was not until two years ago that he discovered the part that religion can play in a man's life and work.

He put it this way: "I was a member of several lodges. I was a Scout leader. I belonged to other organizations which told me exactly what I was supposed to do and what was expected of me. But when it came to religion and the church, my duties were not so clear. Was it enough just to try to be a good person, to believe in God and to go to church services? Should religion be a special Sunday affair or should it offer something that works all the week through?"

Another thing often made him reflective. His lodges, his scouting work and the service clubs had pins and

emblems which their followers were urged to wear. The members were told to be proud that they were Masons or Eagles or Kiwanians or whatever they might be. But what about being proud of belonging to the Christian faith?

One day Bud said to his wife, "You know what I wish you'd get me some time when you're in town? A cross."

Ten-year-old son Bobby piped up, "A what?"

"A cross," Anderson repeated. "Not a big one, understand, but one that I can wear inconspicuously on my coat. I don't want to show it off. I want it as a reminder that there's another organization I belong to besides those that have given me pins and pledges. I need something stabilizing in my work, something that will help remind me of the source of peace and quiet. A man can easily get lost in the rush of things and be defeated by his own enthusiasm to put over a deal. Maybe a cross like that would help make religion more real and bring it closer into my particular job."

MRS. Anderson, who had always found religion a practical guide, understood. Valentine's Day was coming up

and for the occasion she bought Bud a small silver cross which he put on his lapel. Son Bobby and daughter Carroll both thought it was an interesting idea.

Bud Anderson had always had a rule for his life. Some years ago a successful insurance man had passed a motto on to him:

"If you are true to number one, God;
And to number two, your fellow man;
And to number three, the company for which you work;
You need never worry about number four—YOU."

This was a good formula. But sometimes in the stress and strain of travel and selling, it was easy to forget those words and easy to doubt them. Then, too, there were times when, in the desire to reach a sales quota, a man found himself pushing sales through and getting lost in his own enthusiasm. This is where the wearing of the cross came in.

"I began to notice," Anderson told me, "that the cross was like a rudder that fixed my course and kept me in tow. Every once in a while it made

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Left: Dr. Daniel A. Poling holds the hand-carved figure that was given him by leprosy victims in Formosan colony.



His fingers wasted by disease, a former wood carver worked patiently to chisel out this camphor-wood water buffalo.

Christ in Camphor Wood

By KENNETH L. WILSON

THIS is the era of the yardstick. We are a generation of definers, measurers, weighers, classifiers. But still there are powerful imponderables in this world. And these imponderables, these unmeasured and unmeasurable qualities, add the dimension that gives life depth.

I think of that dimension when I look at the camphor-wood carving on the desk of Dr. Daniel A. Poling in Christian Herald House. Amid a busy clutter of souvenirs, there is no immediately observable distinction in this one. The carved figure is that of a water buffalo. The mightily-horned head is lowered, the legs planted in a muscular stance suggesting perfect control of latent power. The darker brown grain of the yellow wood forms a circle on the animal's side, emphasizing the rounded lines of the carved features.

But the law of supply and demand, the world's economic scale for measuring value, would not do much for the carving. True, there is only one: the supply is scant. But camphor wood does not have the exotic beauty of mahogany or ebony, and although the carving has a primitive beauty, it probably would not bring ecstasy to a connoisseur: the demand likely would be negligible.

Gauged by the law of supply and demand, the carving has no great worth.

But there is another law—the law of love. When it is applied, the undistinguished figure becomes priceless. The yellow wood finish gains a luster beyond that of gold. The lowered horns of the water-buffalo replica take on a strength that gives strength.

The story belongs to Formosa, that Pacific island pawn of international politics. Land of refuge, Formosa has become the home of huddled masses yearning to breathe free. They could not bring much with them, only their aspirations, their hunger and sometimes their diseases. One such disease of the Orient is leprosy. No longer the dread affliction it once was, leprosy can with miracle drugs and careful treatment be cured. But not even modern healing can restore fingers and hands and feet and features destroyed as a result of the nerve-deadening malady.

A remarkable American missionary has brought hope to many victims of leprosy on Formosa. But the one additional treatment Lillian Dickson longed to have for "her people" was an Occupational Therapy Room, where patients

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FAITH COMES TO SALESMAN

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me stop and ask myself honest questions about my sales approach. It regulated my thinking. More and more, I noticed that the men I called on kept looking at the cross during our talks. It may have done something to them, I don't know, but it did something to me. I began to feel a deepening sense of service and responsibility to God, to my fellow man, to my company, and to myself. In other words, it put meaning and spark into the motto I had always had."

Anderson's sales increased. He became more successful. But more important was the fact that he was now making his job a spiritual adventure. He didn't talk religion. He didn't have to. The emblem of the cross was talking to him and through him in a new approach to consecrated service.

There was a dealer, one of his clients, who was, by all odds, a prize warrior. This man had a habit of storing up his problems and worries and unloading them on Anderson whenever he came to town. Such was the case on a particular Saturday afternoon.

"Say, Bud," Old Man Worry complained over the telephone, "I've got to see you right away. Things have sure got me down. I can't hold out much longer. What am I going to do?"

This was followed by a long recital of customers who demanded this or that, of too much business, of not enough help, of labor difficulties, of service problems and what-not.

The cross gave Anderson his answer. "Listen," he told his client, "if you have all those problems, they're too much for both of us to handle alone. We need help and I know where we can get it. There's someone greater than either of us and we'll turn to Him. Are you planning to go to church tomorrow?"

"Well, I guess so," was the dubious reply.

"I'll go with you," Anderson told him. "Then after church we'll see what we can do."

"We went to the service," Bud reflected as he told me the story. "Just now I don't remember a word the minister said. But I do remember one thing. As we sat there together thinking about God in our own way and letting the quiet of worship sink in, our minds were prepared for meeting the worries my client had, or thought he had. We went to dinner together. Then in the afternoon, we sat in the cool of his yard and one by one the problems were resolved. They seemed to melt away. I think if this man would wear a cross and think of what it meant,

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How to Conquer Your Fears



TEXT: "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee."

—Psalm 56:3

By FREDERICK W. CROPP

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MAN'S fiercest foe is fear. We are told over and over that panic will do more harm than a bomb dropped in a sneak attack. "Don't scare: Prepare!" is the catchy slogan.

I wonder what the slogan is in Russia? They are afraid, too, of course. The Japanese are afraid; the British; the Germans—everyone is living on the edge of the black pit of fear.

In pulpits from Maine to Mandalay, from Florida to Formosa, from Albuquerque to Alaska, sermons have begun as this sermon is beginning—by building up the situation, by calling people's attention to *fear*. The reason we ministers boldly look at fear is simple enough. We believe that in the religion of Jesus Christ there is no place for the paralysis caused by fear.

Who are those who are afraid? The roll of people who were afraid begins with Adam cringing in the thickets of Eden, and includes biblical characters and a procession of well-known names—Carlyle, Robert Louis Stevenson, Ben Jonson. Only the fool or the unconditioned child has no fear.

The roll includes the suave businessman afraid of another crash, another depression; the sleek woman whose idle life and leisure have left her with

sleepless nights of wide-awake fear. Scratch the thin veneer of any of us and you will find us admitting, "I have been scared—haven't you?"

The Kremlin is afraid; be sure of that. The maneuverings of Russia are the result of insecurity and fear. The Communist apparatus in America is afraid. All of us have a right to be scared when the atomic and hydrogen bomb of Damocles hangs over every important city in the world.

FEAR of a kind is natural, stimulating us to protection, helpful at the time. What is unnatural, unhealthful and un-Christian is the preoccupation with fear which may break up a home ("I'm afraid of my husband" . . . "I am afraid for our children"); the fear which destroys a life, ("I am afraid of my job" . . . "I am afraid I have a dread disease" . . . "I am afraid to make the next move" . . . "I am afraid of death" . . . "I am afraid of life"). This is deadly, senseless fear, and it can be conquered.

How shall we conquer it?

In a book of the Bible which none of us reads often enough there are some suggestions which point the way. Have you ever read how Nehemiah brought his ragged group of repatri-

ated captives back to build the wall of Jerusalem? Read it again—especially the sixth chapter.

You see, everybody was afraid. One man worked while another stood guard. There were strange noises and the nights were dark, and there were fifth columnists and there were rumors. Sanballat was marching! God was displeased! Let's get out of here! Babylon in captivity was better than this uncertain terror.

How did Nehemiah conquer fear? There are four real cures for fear, and Nehemiah took them all—and had peace for himself and his people.

How shall we conquer fear?

1. *Get the facts!* When Nehemiah thought about his enemy, he said (Nehemiah 6:12), "And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him." The fact was that God was not on the side of evil. Much of our fear has no foundation in fact. We are fearful about a tomorrow which never comes. We are afraid of a disease we do not have. We are scared of a bomb that will perhaps never be released. A young atomic engineer friend told me, "Ninety-nine per cent of all that you read about atomic energy is about destructive power, when ninety-nine per

cent should be about the constructive possibilities."

Get the facts. In the face of facts we can act, but in the face of rumors and suspicions we can only panic.

We have had our attention recently called to the number of times in the New Testament people made mistakes because they "supposed" something that in fact didn't exist. The disciples were wall-eyed with fear on the lake when Jesus came because they "supposed" they had seen a ghost! Mary sobbed out her fears in front of Jesus, "supposing Him to be the gardener." The disciples in the upper room were terrified when Jesus came back to them. They "supposed" He was a ghost again! Paul's jailer was scared to the point of suicide and almost took his own life, "supposing the prisoners had fled," when any jailer knows the value of a bed check! Most fears are the result of "supposing."

What shall you do with fear? Get the facts. Have a physical examination. Consult your employer. Talk to your wife or husband or children. See your minister. Get the facts!

2. *Be strong in your own character and rely on that strength.* Nehemiah knew that if his life was threatened he could dash into the temple, grab the horns of the altar, and not even the most bestial enemy would dare to kill him there. But Nehemiah wasn't that scared! "And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that, being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in." (Nehemiah 6:11)

But who are we, anyway, we American Christians? What frightens us, really? Isn't it the basic question of whether we will be able to "take it," no matter what comes? Really, now, aren't we afraid of our own weakness? Look at yourself. An American—born of unafraid ancestors who conquered a continent. First- and second-generation Americans, a few of us, sons and daughters of people who had the character and courage to make choices and act on them positively.

Christians! What a character heritage that is—mauled by lions, beaten by clubs, killed "all the day long," pushed around, persecuted, hunted, baited like animals, tortured, hung, burned, poisoned. You name the torture and we have had it! Are we getting soft? I don't think so!

Afraid? Who's afraid? It will surprise you what you can endure! I have seen men rise above fear, above panic, in flood, fire and battle, on hospital beds, in traffic accidents, in war and peace. Why? People of character do not stampede. You are people of character—or you had better be. That is what we must teach our children.

Don't run. Stand up and be counted. That is how we shall deal with fear.

Having done that, what else?

3. *Stay on the job and realize you are doing your duty!* When the psychological warfare team sent out by Sanballat tried to put fear in the heart of Nehemiah, Nehemiah did not leave his working place. "And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?" (Nehemiah 6:3)

What an answer! Everybody runs—except Nehemiah—except the fabulous boy with his finger in the dike. Everybody panics—except the outpost machine-gun nest.

We're getting beaten! They're three points ahead—and only seconds to play. Don't bother me, pass me the ball.

He has polio—but yesterday he walked for the first time!

He is going to die! So am I and so are you, but we're too busy living to

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We moderns called it "tension."

Our fathers called it "sin":

But who of us dares mention

The lingering guilt within?

—C. W. Vandenberg

get scared of that! "I am doing a great work and I cannot come down to enjoy a scare."

The power to stand up to life comes to us all as we concentrate on our daily work. Just as much peace as you need will come—as you need it! Fix the propeller; never mind the lifeboats yet. Go it alone if necessary, but go it! Seize opportunities—fear neither life or death. You have your duty—*do it*.

There is one other thing.

4. You expect a minister to say this, and he does, for it is the most important of all: *trust God!*

Nehemiah prayed, "For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands." (Neh. 6:9)

It must come to that. He who trusts God does his duty best and is not afraid. He who trusts God gets character to stand firm. He who trusts God can best interpret the facts.

Jesus' day was like our day in that fear was everywhere. But everywhere Jesus was saying, "Fear not!" . . . "Fear not, little flock." . . . "Let not your

heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid!"

Read your Bibles if you would find how weak people become strong, scared people become calm. The Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!

ARE you ever afraid? Of course you are. Of course I am. But we know what to do about it, *we Christians*. We know that perfect love casts out fear. We follow One who as Truth set men free.

So we get the facts. That is how we begin to deal with fear. We belong to One who said, "Follow me and I will make you to become . . ." So our character grows as we go with God in Him. Our duty well done keeps us sane when others might panic. We trust Him who reminded us that our Father's eye is much more on us than on the sparrow. Only trust Him—and fear is powerless.

There is much in the world to make us afraid. There is much *more* in our faith to make us *unafraid*.

Christians caught off guard may be scared for a moment, then the discipline of discipleship takes over and our reaction is fearlessness in the face of all the rumors and darkness and fright.

Dr. Joseph Sizoo tells this story of the olden days. "In the medieval centuries it was the custom of people journeying from one city to another to spend the nights in a cave on some hillside for shelter. Oftentimes in these dark caves there lived the wild animals of the forest. No one would venture into these caves unless first they were safe for refuge. This was obtained by a strange custom. It was the day when knighthood was in flower. A knight from a near-by village would be asked to cleanse a cave. Putting on his armor and carrying his spear he would enter into the dark recess and fight it out with the beasts that prowled in the darkness. After hours of fighting he would come out with perhaps a splintered spear and dented armor dripping with blood, and, not without suffering, drag into the open the last beast which he had slain. Then a priest from the village would come to the entrance of the cave and, carrying a cross before him, would enter into the cave, sprinkling as he went the blood of a lamb slain as a sacrifice upon the altar. So was the cave cleansed and made a safe refuge for all who passed."

It is still so today. These dark caves of fear and dread can be cleansed, but not without pain and suffering. When Christ has taken possession of them and the cross is planted upon the threshold, the place of dark fear will become the refuge of the weary.

Happy is he who finds in Christ "the peace that passeth understanding" which casteth out all fear. THE END



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Buck was a tough kid who knew it all,
until he was on his own in the mystery
and silence of the "Mont Lawn" woods

boy lost

By DALE HAMILTON

THE BIG BELL in the clock tower over Fort Plenty, "Mont Lawn's" properly-named dining hall, struck the quarter hour, as Jim leaped up the steps of the Homestead to the director's office. He needed help. He needed it badly. He, a college senior, psychology major, was having the mental socks beat off him by a 10-year-old.

"Buck is maybe a head shorter than other boys his age," Jim said, when he was sitting alongside Mr. Mott's desk. "I suppose my prof would tell me that his cockiness simply compensates for what he lacks in stature. Little kid, big mouth. But the psychological motivations don't help me. What I want to know is, how do I slap him down?"

Hubert Mott, former school administrator, and director of "Mont Lawn" for enough years to learn anything about children he had missed in educational circles, looked keenly at the counselor. "Jim, we're not here to slap anybody down. We're not running a reform school. We're running an object lesson. You can't pound into kids the idea that the world will be a better place for them if they learn to get along with other people. You can't even tell them—"

"You can't tell Buck anything," Jim agreed. "Nobody tells Buck anything."

"No," Mr. Mott went on. "We can't tell. We can show. You and I are a part of the object lesson, Jim." He stood up at his desk. "And when a youngster like Buck comes along, just remember that showing pays off, sometime, somewhere. You won't always see the end results. Sometimes you will, and then you're twice-blessed. But it doesn't usually work that way."

The clock in the tower was striking the half hour as Jim walked out of the office, out of the wide front door, across the porch, down the steps, down the driveway to the shining blue swimming pool. His group of ten boys—Buck among them—would be coming out of the water about now, and Mr. Ted, the swimming counselor, would be turning them back into his hands.

"I can hardly wait," Jim muttered cynically to himself. He had gone to Mr. Mott wanting help. And he hadn't got it.

He checked himself. Had he really wanted help? Or had he wanted some easy formula, some quick solution, some neat wrap-up, the way the case histories in the books were always wrapped up. The trouble with him, he decided, was that he wanted to see the end from the beginning. But that was God's prerogative, and His alone. "I'm just a counselor," he reminded himself, "with a job to do. I'm not God." (Continued on next page)

And the immediate job to do was to take his group up into the plateau beyond the dormitories. Mr. Bill, nature counselor, called it "spot adventuring." Actually, it was a good opportunity for a rest for the boys after their strenuous swimming activity.

Buck was first in line as they walked up the hill. "I swam across the pool fourteen times," he announced. "These other guys, they can't swim any good."

Billy spoke up then. "Listen to him," he jeered. "Fourteen times! He wouldn't even get in the water! Yelled his head off when Mr. Ted tried to get him in."

"You want to fight?" Buck demanded. "You just come around 120th Street sometime. I'll tell the Black Knights you're coming."

"Take it easy," Jim said. They were nearing the level area near the infirmary. "Let's pick out a nice spot where we can sit down," he told them.

"What are we going to do?" Buck shrilled.

"Everybody sit down," Jim said, when they found their spot.

"What do we do?" Buck persisted. "Tell stories? I know a story about the Black Knights. They had a fight with the Dragons. Clean fight. No zip guns, only belts. You swing them with the buckle end at the other guy, and—"

"Quiet!" Jim insisted. "We're going to lie on our backs, and listen."

"What are we going to listen to?" Buck asked.

"To whatever we can hear," Jim said.

Even Buck was quiet for a while. It was a new idea to him. As the boys tuned their ears to the silence of the outdoors, they discovered that even the silence had a thousand voices. Somewhere, a bird called. Far off across the Hudson River, they heard the distant blare of the horn of a diesel streamliner. Close at hand, tentatively at first, then with more courage, there came a rasping, pulsating sound.

"What's that?" Buck asked, lifting his head and looking around.

EVERYBODY listened again.

"It's a cricket," Jim said. "The fields are full of them. But you don't hear them unless you're listening. There are a lot of things you don't hear if you don't listen."

"Cricket?" yelped Buck. "Dav-ee, Da-vee Cricket!" he singsonged, and everybody laughed.

"Now, let's listen some more," said Jim, frowning at Buck.

They catalogued other sounds, between Buck's comments. Once there was a rustle in the underbrush. "That could have been a rabbit," Jim said.

"Or maybe an Indian," Buck yelped. "Or a b'ar. Know how Davy Crockett killed b'ars? He grinned 'em to death."

"There are no bears around here,"

Jim assured the boys. Privately, he wished there were. Buck and a bear ought to be a fairly even match.

"The thing is," Jim told them after they had finished listening, "you miss a lot if you don't stop to listen sometimes."

It happened that in Children's Temple that Wednesday evening, Chaplain Don said something that went right along with what Jim's group had done. He was telling the story of Elijah. "He was listening for God. Then he heard a great wind—just as there was a big wind here in that storm on Monday. He thought for sure God would speak to him in the wind. But God didn't. Then there was an earthquake—and there are still earthquakes in some parts of our country, but not around here. And Elijah thought that surely God would speak to him in the earthquake. But He didn't. Then he saw a fire—not like our campfires, but a big fire. He thought that God would speak out of the fire. But God didn't.



Then Elijah heard a still, small voice. And God spoke to him then. God can speak to you, even in the city. Even when trucks and the elevated are making noise. Even when people are making a lot of noise. You can listen down inside yourself, and hear God."

In the row where Jim's group was sitting, Buck suddenly put his arm up to his ear. Jim leaned over and tapped him on the shoulder. "I'm listening inside myself," Buck told him. "And I don't hear nuthin'."

The clock bell was chiming the hour at the end of the chapel service, as the children went out into the dusk and walked toward the dormitories. "Bong, bong, bong—" Buck was imitating the strokes of the bell. "Does it," he asked suddenly, "have a crack in it? Like the Liberty Bell used to, before Davy Crockett patched it up?"

"No," Jim said wearily.

"That bell sure rings a lot," said Buck. "All over the place, you can hear it ringing all the time."

"Every fifteen minutes," Jim told him. "It's something to go by—eating, swimming, hiking, all the rest. By the way," he told the whole group, "tomorrow, if it's a nice day, we'll go hiking up in the woods on Hook."

"Yippee!" screeched Buck. "I could climb a mountain with one leg tied up. With *both* legs tied up."

The next morning, he started out right beside Jim, the other boys strung along the trail behind. "Now, hear this," Jim told them all, pausing halfway up, "we had better keep close together. There are a lot of trees up there, and a lot of underbrush, and if you got lost you wouldn't like it."

"Dav-ee, Dav-ee Crockett," sang Buck at the top of his voice, drowning out any sounds of nature audacious enough to compete with him. Jim eyed the boy sternly, stepping up the pace of the climb. He'd see how long Buck had breath to spare!

BUT the boy seemed to possess leather lungs. Not even the brisk climb daunted him. At the summit of the trail, they climbed trees to get a pinnacle-top view of the silvery Hudson and the surrounding hills. Then they struck off into the underbrush, following a scarcely-defined path.

Jim led the way, and Billy came next, then the other boys. It presently dawned upon Jim that the group was unusually quiet. "Where's our bear killer?" he asked, halting.

The boys looked from one to the other. Jim counted. Nine. No Buck. "Buck!" he called. "Buck!" The woods threw back the echo, but there was nothing more. They listened so intently they could hear the buzz of insects, and far off somewhere, a woodpecker. "Listen to the riveter," one of the boys said softly. "They must be building a skyscraper around here someplace."

"That's a woodpecker," Jim told them. "Buck!" he called again. There was no answer. "We'll stay here, and keep calling," Jim said. "Buck surely will hear us." At intervals, Jim called, and the boys filled in the gaps with their own shouts. They were enjoying it. This was real pioneering!

When Buck still didn't turn up, Jim made his decision. "We'll have to go back and report this to the Head Counselor. Maybe we'll find Buck back at camp when we get there." Certainly no one could get really "lost" in these woods. There were roads on every side. All that anyone had to do was keep walking, and he'd be in the clear in no time.

They turned and hiked on through the woods, making a circuit that led them back to camp. Buck hadn't returned.

By then it was lunch time. "You take your group into the dining hall," the Head Counselor told Jim. "I'll go up on the hill and dig out Buck." And as the children lined up in front of "Fort Plenty," waiting to go in for lunch, and the Head Counselor started up the path, down from the hill strag-

gled the boy. He wasn't grinning now. "Buck!" Jim called, as the relieved-looking Head Counselor met the boy and came back with him.

"What happened?" He waited for a tale of conquest, bears and all.

Buck was strangely subdued. "I got lost," he said. "That is, I got lost later. I hid, at first. I thought I'd scare everybody, then jump out when you couldn't find me. But I hid, and then everybody was gone, and I jumped out and nobody was there."

He looked up at the counselor. "Mr. Jim, it's quiet in the woods, when there's nobody to talk to. You can hear a lot of things—and some of them you don't know what they are, and you wish you was someplace else."

"No bears?" Jim couldn't help asking. "No Black Knights or Dragons?"

And the little kid with the big mouth shook his head. "Nothing big at all. Just little things, little noises—and me."

"How did you find your way?" Jim asked.

And the boy from the section of the city notorious for its gang fights and its contribution to the statistics of juvenile delinquency, looked up at Jim and said earnestly, "When I knew I was lost, I just listened until I heard the 'Mont Lawn' bells, then I followed them and got home safe."

Mr. Mott was right. All they could do at "Mont Lawn" was to demonstrate the happy life, the "more excellent way," as the Bible called it. All they could do was make God's love so clear, so vital, so available, that somewhere, sometime, even when a little kid got lost in the tangles of life, the insistent "Mont Lawn" bells would ring in his soul, and lead him home. THE END

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torturous soul-searching, he still wasn't adequately prepared to do God's work.

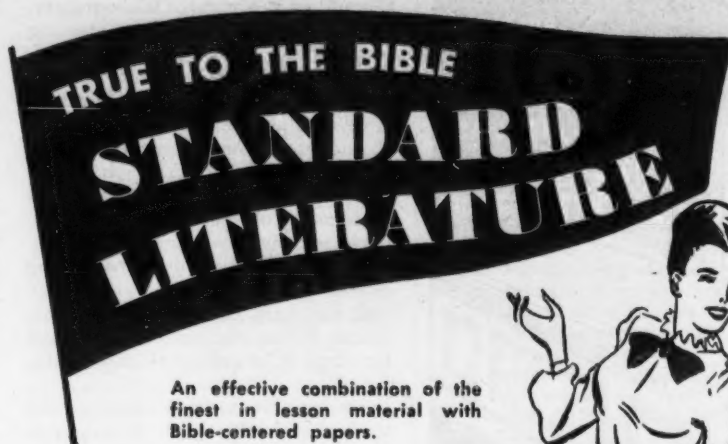
For months he wrestled with these dilemmas. And then one day in 1946 he was given a miraculous opportunity to solve both problems at one fell stroke. Elected as a Commissioner to attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church convening at Atlantic City, New Jersey, Ahmaogak got in touch with some American friends who promptly arranged for his arrival and also planned an extensive program of study for him.

Here was the moment Roy Ahmaogak felt he had been living for all his life. Yet the day before he left he found that there was still one thing he had to do. He harnessed up his dogs, went out on the ice and hunted down and killed a polar bear.

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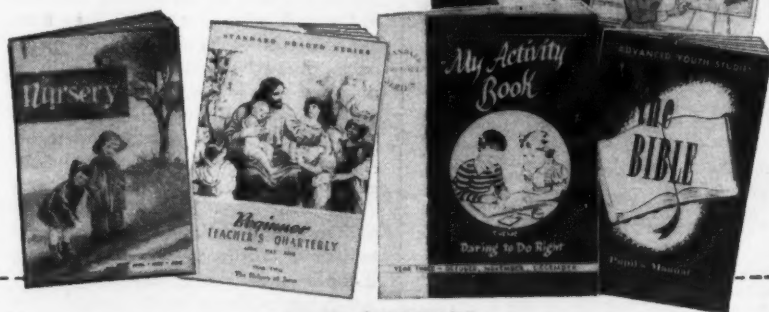


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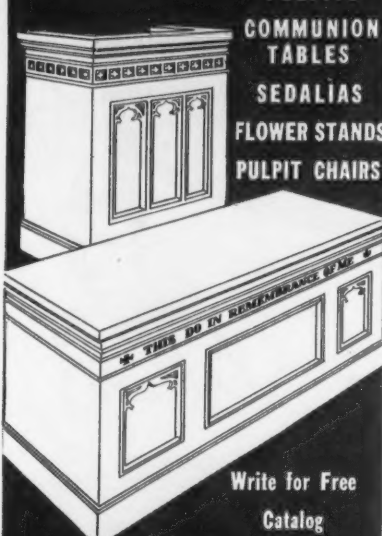
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was a hard year of head work. An arrangement by the Presbyterian Board of National Missions made it possible for him to study at the Institute of Linguistics at Norman, Oklahoma, and to begin the arduous task of converting Inupiat into a written language. In collaboration with Dr. Eugene Nida of the American Bible Society, Ahmaogak developed an Inupiat alphabet of 30 characters and then proceeded to write an illustrated primer. The job proved to be harder than it first appeared, for to identify objects unknown to the Eskimos, it was often necessary to invent new Inupiat words by combining old ones. For example, although Eskimos use flour, they have never seen wheat. Hence, the new Inupiat word for wheat is "grainfromwhichyoumake-flour."

During his visit Ahmaogak also studied at the Bloomfield Seminary in Bloomfield, New Jersey, where he translated into written Inupiat the books of Mark, Romans, parts of John's Gospel and two hymns—"Rock of Ages" and "Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed?" At the seminary Ahmaogak lived in a dormitory with boys who were younger than most of his children. And he got along fine. He is remembered by his young schoolmates as a quiet, sun-tanned man who wore pin-striped suits, loved triple-sized chocolate sundaes and who greatly missed not having any walrus meat to eat.

Ahmaogak's year in the States was sometimes bewildering. For the first time in his life he saw a tree growing, drank water out of a tap, rode in an automobile, an elevator, a subway, and walked city streets which he called "hard-packed trails." Although this man could find his way through an Arctic blizzard he frequently got lost in the well-marked streets. When, during a lecture at New York University, he mentioned that in Alaska he lived in a wooden house, a teacher in the audience suddenly exclaimed, "But all my life I've been teaching that all Eskimos lived in ice igloos." Ahmaogak shook his head in astonishment. "There are a few Eskimos in the Canadian mountain country who are said to live in ice igloos—but no Alaskan Eskimo would even think of it. It's much too cold, for ice is a conductor. Snow, however, is an insulator, and by piling it around our houses we help to keep them warm."

When Ahmaogak left New Jersey in the late spring the trees were in leaf, the tulips in blossom and the birds in full song. When his plane came down at Barrow, the ice stretched four miles out into the sea. But his wife, his eleven children, his four grandchildren and his dogs pulling a new sled were all waiting to welcome him. The

next morning he hitched his huskies to the sled and took a long trip out on the ice. He rested there in the white wastelands, staring thoughtfully out into the frozen stillness. Suddenly he saw two ducks flying overhead. For a moment he hesitated—wondering if he could still do it. Then he raised his gun and fired. The ducks dropped to earth. The following week Roy Ahmaogak was ordained.

IN HIS first sermon Reverend Roy Ahmaogak proudly announced to his people that he could now bring them the written word of God in their own language. His primer proved to be infinitely more successful than he had ever dared to hope. In his classes he found that with only an hour's study each day, the Eskimos were learning to read in a matter of a few weeks. He also found that old as well as young flocked to the classes, all eager to begin reading and writing the language they had spoken all their lives. And he also found that those who learned quickly were anxious to help those who were having difficulty.

By visiting their scattered settlements, Ahmaogak has now taught hundreds of his fellow tribesmen to read and write Inupiat. To him it is simply another way of preaching the Gospel and reaching those who, while they might be indifferent about listening to a sermon, cannot resist this exciting invitation to learn their ancestral language.

To the civilized white man, the life of Roy Ahmaogak seems strange and often naive. For the Eskimo, religion is a way of life. There is no division between what he does during the week and how he worships on Sunday. These Americans of the far North share the work, food and hardships of their primitive communities—and the labor and responsibilities of their church. The stories of the Old Testament have a very real significance for them, for their customs are the customs of Abraham's time. There are still Eskimo tribes in Alaska where, like Jacob, the young men must work for their wives' families before marriage.

In this outpost land, Roy Ahmaogak must be many things. "The Arctic ministry," he says, "requires an open mind, a strong back and the willingness to carry the day's work far into the night." As a minister Roy's work includes two worship services on Sunday, a mid-week prayer meeting, Sunday school, a teachers' training class, meetings of the Session, a rehearsal each week of four different choirs, young people's meetings, Junior Christian Endeavor meetings and pastoral calls. And as a man dedicated to the service of his fellow man, he must be a carpenter, mechanic, musher, butcher, coal miner,

painter, electrician, iceman, policeman and food rationer.

On one occasion a man, for no apparent reason, took the fish belonging to another man. Since there are no police in Wainwright, the offender was brought before the church Session where he was found guilty. In reprimanding him, Ahmaogak pointed out that he had been very irregular in his church attendance. Then the Session prayed with him. "Now," says Ahmaogak, "he is to be seen much more often in church."

On another occasion when the winter's supply of food and fuel became critically short, Ahmaogak called a meeting of the church deacons. They opened the meeting with a prayer, and then held a long discussion. Ahmaogak divided the village into sections, and then devised a system whereby members of the church would call at every house and collect supplies from those who were able to share with the more needy. The system was announced at the mid-week prayer service, and when the knock came on their doors the householders were ready with whatever they could spare. No one went hungry.

Although he lives near the North Pole, Roy Ahmaogak also has to be an iceman for both his family and his church. Until a few years ago, Ahmaogak hauled ice two miles by dog team every few days for nine months of the year—just to provide drinking water through the winter months. With the aid of a small tractor he now hauls a year's supply in just a few days. Cut from a fresh-water lake, the ice is stored in an underground cave. When the water in the drinking barrel—always kept inside the house—gets low, ice is brought from the cave and melted down on the stove. Last year when the women of his congregation volunteered to give the church a thorough scrubbing, Ahmaogak had to supply the water—which meant that he had to spend two full days just melting down ice on his kitchen stove.

THE primitiveness of his life is no problem to Ahmaogak. What he fears most is civilization. He knows that one day it will come to his part of the world—and he is determined that it will not threaten his people. When the men from his village leave for outside jobs—on U.S. geodetic surveys or military construction projects—Ahmaogak knows that there will be trouble, for the natives pick up the white man's habits, and always it is the bad habits that they bring home. If there is one thing that Ahmaogak is convinced of it is that only by becoming steadfast Christians will his "savages" be able to withstand the dangers of civilization while taking advantage of its assets.

Despite his unsparing devotion to his ministry, Ahmaogak has never lost his great love of the wilderness. He still takes long trips out over the ice—although now there is no fleeing from the voice. On his last trip he went to join the men of the village who had gone off on a summer seal hunt. Being somewhat out of good physical condition, he returned to his home bone-weary. "What I need is rest," he told his wife. Yet he had barely climbed into bed when there came a frenzied cry of "Stampeding caribou!" Still in his nightshirt, Ahmaogak seized his gun and raced from the house. A caribou herd, maddened by a swarm of flies, was preparing to stampede right through the village. Along with the other men, Ahmaogak began shooting as fast as he could. The result was that a goodly supply of caribou meat was brought down. To Ahmaogak this meant that the Lord was looking after the welfare of his people, for since the seal hunt had not been too "well blessed," this extra meat meant that no one in the village would go hungry that winter.

IT OFTEN surprises people that Ahmaogak, who has spent most of his life in one of the most isolated spots in the world, should have been able to develop such a profound sense of the continuity of history. Scheduled to speak before a large audience, he was introduced by a man given to long-winded flights of oratory. When Ahmaogak finally arose, the applause was loud and long. Ahmaogak claims it was motivated by a sense of relief. He waited for the applause to stop.

"I hope," he said, "that you are not applauding me. For on this occasion I am not an individual—I am a symbol of men's love for each other. Because there are white men who care what happens to the Eskimos, the Presbyterian Board sent missionaries to Alaska 75 years ago. It is entirely probable that if it were not for these missionaries, the Eskimos as a people would not have survived. Many Eskimo tribes are now extinct simply because there weren't enough missionaries to go around. These people of God brought us schools and medical care. But more than that they brought us the Christian Gospel. And it is through Christianity that we have learned to survive. That is why I can go back to my people and teach them the meaning of life. Now we have made Christianity our own—and we can, in turn, bring it to those who have never known it.

"Some day, not too far distant, it will not be necessary for white men to come to Alaska as missionaries. That does not mean we will not have missionaries. We will have them, certainly—but they will be Alaskans." **THE END**

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Monday, August 1

READ GENESIS 8:20-22

I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health.—III JOHN 2

IN the midst of summer two things are in evidence—heat and harvests. There is a third thing most to be desired—health. God made summertime a season of intense heat and expanding harvests, and we do well to accept the hot weather with all its discomforts, for in so doing we reap not only contentment within but also the fruits of the fields. Praise Him for His gifts to us.

Grant, Heavenly Father, the grace to endure, the faith to believe, the strength to overcome, and the will to obey Thee in all things, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Tuesday, August 2

READ PSALM 31:20-24

As much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.—ROMANS 12:18

EVERY now and then there is an unsavory news item like that of the husband and wife who refused to talk to each other for eight long years. They communicated with each other by pinning notes on a kitchen bulletin board. Perhaps that was better than resorting to heated recriminations and bitter arguments, but it is no way to establish the ties of the spirit or to achieve reconciliation. How much better, though harder, are forgiveness, self-denial, humility, love!

Lord Jesus, we are so often weak and heavy-laden, and the cares of this world are apt to distort our relationships. Come and dwell in our hearts and homes. Amen.

Wednesday, August 3

READ MATTHEW 27:45-49

Atheism is rather in the life than in the heart of a man.—FRANCIS BACON

WHEN the workmen erected our new church's fourteen-foot cross to its elevated position outside the sanctuary's south window, it was a bright sunny day. When I happened to enter the building at noon while the men were at lunch, I noticed the distinct shadow of the cross on the window glass. The foreman pointed to the shadow and said, "There, Reverend, is a sermon for you." And, indeed, he was right. Every cross means shadows: suffering, sacrifice, humiliation, but also spiritual triumph.

Holy Spirit, descend upon our hearts

and wean us from earth with all its pain and disappointment. Stoop to our weakness and make us love Thee as we ought to love. Amen.

Thursday, August 4

READ PSALM 22:19-23

Experience is a jewel . . . for it is often purchased at an infinite rate.

—WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

NO sooner is one flight record established than it is broken. It is worth noting, however, that the Air Force has announced that a B-47 jet bomber flew nonstop from California to Georgia last winter in three hours nineteen minutes thirty-five seconds, a distance of more than 2000 miles. Fast as this is, it is a long way from the speed of light or from the speed with which God comes to our rescue in time of trouble. The truth is, God is round about us at all times.

Dear Lord, it is not Thou who art far from us, but we who have wandered far from Thee. Restore us to the joy of Thy presence and be Thou our help and refuge. Amen.

Friday, August 5

READ ISAIAH 28:5-7

MORE than half the drivers and pedestrians killed in Monmouth County, N. J., last year were drunk when they died, according to the county physician. This is a serious indictment of modern society. How to control drunken driving is a question that begins with another: How to control strong drink? It is a personal problem, but it is also a grievous social problem. The solution will rest on quickening both the private and public conscience to action, beginning with ourselves.

Dear Master, in whose life we see all that we would, but fail to be, let Thy clear light forever shine, to guide our lives and nation. Amen.

Saturday, August 6

READ II CORINTHIANS 4:1-5

Honest toil is holy service, faithful work is praise and prayer.—HENRY VAN DYKE

WITH misleading propaganda currently pointing out the so-called "merits" of gambling as a tax resource for state or nation, it is well to look on the seamy side of this evil. Gambling is based on the vicious human lust to get something for nothing. It undercuts the taproot of moral integrity in man. It lures him into the hope of sudden riches. It leaves him broke

in purpose as well as purse. No wonder a New York jury would make it a crime to place a bet.

Give us, O God, the understanding to see through any false and evil motives. Grant us the courage to throw out the money-changers from the temple of life. Amen.

Sunday, August 7

READ PSALM 51:6-10

HONESTY has long been regarded as the "best policy" for our business relationships, but now a famous doctor has made the statement that it is the "only policy" in dealing with those who are sick. The argument is that the patient can help fight for recovery and health, if he knows what he is up against. Even though the knowledge is hard to bear, it is better to know the truth, for it will set you free. This is Christ's own promise, and in this you cannot fail.

O Saviour, come and bless us today, for we are pressed down by many a care and overwrought by great trials and tribulations. Instill in us Thy peace and love.

Monday, August 8

READ II CORINTHIANS 8:1-4

Promise yourself: to forget the past mistakes and profit by them.

—CHRISTIAN D. LAWSON

LAST year Tenley Albright, 19-year-old American girl, won the women's world figure-skating championship for the second time. Eight years ago she suffered an attack of nonparalytic polio, but was told by her doctor to try to keep on skating because "the exercise is what you need." She did, and because she did, she later achieved her spectacular triumphs. Someone has said, "Luck is just hard work that makes good." Try it and see for yourself.

Lord Jesus, who didst take the form of a servant and in lowly service didst work the works of Him that sent Thee, teach us to labor and faint not, for Thy sake. Amen.

Tuesday, August 9

READ PSALM 77:16-20

THERE are reportedly approximately 44,000 thunderstorms taking place each year somewhere around this old earth. No wonder the globe shows signs of wear and tear! Or is it the other way around—that because of these electric storms the world holds forth promise and bounty for those who seek to unlock its secrets? It is a marvelous Providence that guides us in

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the lack of faith "in God" on the part of many who participated in Edward R. Murrow's two-volume compilation, "This I Believe." The books reveal one truth clearly, however—that everybody does have some sort of faith by which he lives. Sometimes it is a small faith, geared to puny perspectives and powers. But when it is a large faith, geared to the Almighty and eternal God, then it makes a difference. Then it transforms life.

Forgive us, O God, if in our self-sufficiency we commit the sin of forgetting Thee. Purge us of pride. Amen.

Sunday, August 14

READ ROMANS 8:21-26

Liberty has restraints but no frontiers.

—DAVID LLOYD GEORGE

SOME time ago a Czech skating star fled from behind the Iron Curtain to the West and freedom. She said, "In Czechoslovakia I might be considered as having had everything a person could hope for . . . I was well paid, I could travel, I could sometimes buy things abroad. I had everything but freedom. I felt like a bird in a cage." Most of us will understand why she made the choice she did. We know liberty is not license to do what we want, but freedom to be loyal to the highest, to live for truth and God.

Dear Master, enter today into our hearts and make us Thy captives. Then we shall be free. Our hearts are faint and low until we have learned to serve, in Thy Name.

Monday, August 15

READ II PETER 2:9-12

A CRUDE counterfeiter was traced through his fingerprints on a whiskey bottle and arrested at his home after he had made a net profit of \$18 by his operations over a four-week period. He split a good \$10 bill and pasted each half on good \$1 bills. If he had expended such tedious effort in honest labor he surely would have made out better in every way. "The way of the ungodly shall perish," but it is sometimes a hard truth to learn.

Lord, look with pity upon us whenever we seek to evade our obligations to live honorably, to work diligently, and to heed Thy voice. Deliver us from evil. Amen.

Tuesday, August 16

READ ISAIAH 35:1-4

There is nothing the body suffers that the soul may not profit by.

—GEORGE MEREDITH

STOP a moment today to consider the flowers of the fields—how they grow. No matter what variety, what color, what fragrance, their very presence reminds us that God is "the Ruler yet." It strengthens our confidence in the unseen resources sustaining us in both body and soul. It challenges us to grow "into His likeness" and to produce "the fruits of the Spirit," if we aim to please Him.

Grant us, Father, the will to yield ourselves, what we have and are, to Thy divine plan. Fulfill in us Thy joy and salvation, through faith in Christ. Amen.

Wednesday, August 17

READ ISAIAH 33:2-6

He is well paid who is well satisfied.

—WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

A YOUNG Long Island couple bought a painting in a New York thrift shop for \$20 and later discovered they possessed a missing Van Dyck valued at \$15,000. Naturally they were as pleased as the man in the parable who found a treasure hidden in a field. The interesting thing about this episode is that the young couple, having stumbled upon "treasure," were unwilling to part with it. The kingdom of heaven is treasure of even greater value and quality.

O Christ, who art the way, the truth, the life, teach us to find Thee, to know Thee, to possess Thee, to serve and adore Thee, and to abide in peace. Amen.

Thursday, August 18

READ GENESIS 13:10-13

Keep true to the dreams of thy youth.

—FRIEDRICH SCHILLER

TODAY the World Scout Jamboree gets under way in Niagara on the Lake, Ontario. It will be a great and thrilling occasion for thousands of boys from all corners of the world not only to meet together and establish ties of friendship but also to behold one of the great natural wonders of the earth. This is a wonder not made with hands and reflects something of the majesty and might of the Creator. Whether it is Niagara or a solitary summer rose, the hand that made it is divine.

Father, open our eyes to behold the glories of Thy handiwork in the natural world no less than in the world of the spirit, and make us grateful. Amen.

Friday, August 19

READ PSALM 100

May silent thanks at least to God be given with a full heart.—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

IF I had never known before that it is a good thing to give thanks, I learned it as a result of the letters of thanks we sent to the various sub-contractors who helped build our church. All were highly pleased at receiving words of appreciation and one even came back to see if there were any little things needing to be done that might have been overlooked. Among other things, he repaired the corner curbstone, a job not covered in the contract, and didn't charge us a cent. It is so easy to say "thank you" and it is usually so deeply appreciated.

Dear Master, whose life was one continuous example of doing good, make us thankful for what we have received. Amen.

Saturday, August 20

READ GALATIANS 6:6-10

Example is more forcible than precept.

—RICHARD CECIL

NEWSPAPERS reported recently that a Manhattan bridge had grown weary and needed immediate rehabilitation. Well, bridges, like people, grow older, and with all the stress and strain they endure

from day to day it is no wonder they reach the breaking point. Of course, we cannot allow a bridge to collapse. Too much is at stake, too many lives, too many conveniences, too many ties. People, like bridges, need rest, recuperation, and renewal, but people can find it in God.

Undergird us, O Lord, with Thy saving strength, and make our lives count for bridging barriers and bearing burdens in Thy name. Amen.

Sunday, August 21

READ I CORINTHIANS 15:40-45

ABOUT two years from now—provided all goes according to plan—the United States should be ready to launch its first artificial satellite into space. I am not sure about the military advantage this will give us, but I am sure this satellite will never upset the equilibrium of the heavens. It is predicted to be hardly larger than a softball. Paul was right when he wrote, "One star differeth from another star in glory." We need to remember God: this is still His world.

O Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth. Teach us to consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy hands, and fill us with wonder, love and praise. Amen.

Monday, August 22

READ JOB 37:20-24

LAST spring the Swiss radio's weather men confessed that they were unable to predict the next day's weather. They said, "Due to unsettled weather conditions we must refrain from giving a weather forecast for tomorrow." How often we fall into the same trap! What we do or fail to do is more eloquent than what we say or fail to say. Furthermore, more important than the weather is the God who sends the rain and the sunshine and who ordains seedtime and harvest. We must trust Him.

Heavenly Father, teach us to see Thee in all things, so that what we do in anything, we do as for Thee. Save and keep us in truth, honor and righteousness. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Tuesday, August 23

READ I TIMOTHY 6:6-12

A MAN in London was about to enter a bank when the case in which he was carrying 180 one-pound notes (\$504) broke open and the wind scattered the bills all over the street. People piled off buses, jumped out of automobiles and ran out of shops to chase the money. One by one they walked up to the man and handed him the bills. It was a wonderful demonstration of the Golden Rule, and it was also a magnificent tribute to the power of a noble impulse in man's heart.

O Jesus, let us feel Thee near us! The world is ever near; we see the sights that dazzle, we hear the tempting sounds. Be Thou our shield and keep us faithful. We pray in Thy name. Amen.

Wednesday, August 24

READ ACTS 17:24-28

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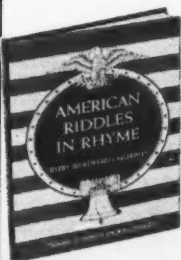
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machines—two minutes of oxygen for 25 cents—and asked public officials what taxes he should pay. He found out no one ever had thought to figure out the tax on "the air you breathe." It ought to remind us of the Scripture: "All that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine." At best, we are only stewards of life's riches, be they tangible or intangible. If stewards, then our duty is to be faithful.

Lord Jesus, forgive us when in our haste we presume to look upon what we are and have as our own. Make us instead "good stewards of the mysteries" for Thy sake. Amen.

Thursday, August 25

READ PSALM 103:13-18

AGAIN this year our country has been plagued with dust storms. With all our know-how, we don't seem capable of controlling the simplest forces of nature. Perhaps we ought to take a lesson from our failure in this direction—namely, that God is able to do what we cannot. He took the dust and breathed into it life. He not only made man from the dust of the earth, but He molded the mountains and valleys and caused them to bring forth fruit. He still reigns. Praise His name!

Holy Spirit, come and bless us with Thy presence and power. Anoint our parched and weary lives with the knowledge of God and His goodness. Amen.

Friday, August 26

READ LUKE 6:43-45

SOME stunts are better never tried. A girl in Ohio told a girl friend, "I bet I can pitch this half dollar right in your mouth." She did just that, making a perfect throw, but the other girl suddenly couldn't breathe. She was rushed to the hospital where the coin was successfully removed. One thing this stunt proved, at least: more important than what goes in is what comes out of the mouth! Out of the heart are the issues of life and the signs of goodness and truth.

Dear Lord, help us to live unto Thee that our lives may show forth Thy praise in word and deed. Guide us in manifesting integrity, humility and penitence. We pray in Thy name. Amen.

Saturday, August 27

READ PSALM 19:1-7

Reason and virtue alone can bestow liberty.
 —EARL OF SHAFTESBURY

IT is always amazing to realize how grandly man's handiwork is enhanced and magnified by flowers, shrubs and trees—the wonders of nature which only God can make. Take a new house, a new school, a new church and allow God to add His touch, and lo! a new loveliness prevails. It is even more the case with the soul and mind of man. Let God add to a man's character the virtues of the spirit, and that man grows in stature and might.

O Christ, fill our hearts with the good things of the spirit. Mold our wills with the instincts of righteousness. Amen.

Sunday, August 28

READ LUKE 6:46-49

TODAY is known the world over as the day of the Festival of Christ the King. Regardless of what varying ceremony is used to observe it, the meaning is simply that we yield allegiance anew to Christ and His way. What this means is set forth in His parable of the builders. To build rightly is to build upon the solid rock of Christ, knowing that His gospel brings into play the power of God. To seek in His life the good example, to find in His resurrection the real victory is to serve Him faithfully and always.

Lord Jesus, Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life; help us to know that way, to keep that truth, to win that life whose joys are eternal. Amen.

Monday, August 29

READ GALATIANS 5:13-16

WHEN the New York legislature ended its legislative session last April it had passed a total of 1,199 bills. Plainly, of the making of laws there is no end. And yet, with all the laws enacted we still have not solved the basic problems of society. We are driven back to what Jesus said about law, that it is summed up in this: Thou shalt love God and thy neighbor as thyself. In the keeping of this commandment lies all the hope and peace of mankind.

Teach us, O God, to seek Thee with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength, and in obedience to Thy precepts help us to seek one another's good. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Tuesday, August 30

READ JAMES 5:15-20

IT IS a dreadful thing when we get God out of focus, as did an eight-year-old boy who started a fire in his church to "get even with God." The boy's father had been drinking heavily and staying away from home, and the boy prayed hard but his father didn't come home. That boy is not the first person who has tried to take it out on God because prayers aren't answered as expected.

Lord, hear us in our day of trouble and give us faith to know Thou art with us to save us. Amen.

Wednesday, August 31

READ JAMES 1:19-25

GOVERNMENT authorities have announced the possibility of a piloted, rocket-boosted glider capable of traversing the globe in two hours. It would fly 13,000 miles an hour and fifty miles high—faster than we can imagine and higher than any of us would care to travel. But swifter than this is our duty to hear God's voice and our privilege to do His will. Perhaps if we were "swift" to obey in things spiritual, we wouldn't need swift instruments of destruction.

Lord Jesus, forgive us in our slowness to believe in Thy love and mercy. Make us worthy of the kingdom of Thy gospel. Lead us to serve Thee always. Amen.

CHURCH'S SHINING RAYS

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areas of life. But when we take the church for granted we see only a uniform illumination which we are tempted to consider is the result of automatic progress in civilization. It will pay us to "squinch" our eyes once in a while so that we can be reminded that without the church we would be living in darkness and chaos.

We should also remember that the church does not grow of itself, does not maintain itself. God has given men the gigantic task of spreading the church—its word and influence—into all lands, to all peoples. Once established, a local church does not become self-perpetuating. Its growth requires toil, sacrifice, unceasing attendance, propagation, gifts and rebuilding.

"Down the future's broadening ways—" What would happen if the rays of the church did not shine into the atomic age? What would be the result of all our advancement if those bright beams of the church did not extend into the age in which two colossal ideologies are coming to grips, into the age of the upsurge of temptations made safer by our very knowledge of how to thwart the immediate consequence, into the age of a frequent turning away from the Divine revelation?

Fortunately, but awfully, the choice is ours. We must keep the church alive in our time or it will not be the light of the world of tomorrow. THE END

MARCIA

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sister, astride his shoulders. Her small fists clutched his dark hair and she swayed sleepily. Then I saw Elaine, an amused smile on her face as she glanced up at Cary's small figure. The front gate clicked and Marcia pranced into view, holding a small bag—probably Cary's change of diapers.

"Go right into the living room," I called. "I'll join you in a moment."

When I entered, John was on the floor beside Marcia, one of her shoes in his hand; he was tying a knot in a broken shoelace. Elaine was holding the baby. Brian, my great Dane, lay close by Marcia's side, as usual.

"Hello, Ann," John said casually. "Sorry to desecrate your living room. But the youngster needs a little attention."

"Some new shoes, you mean," retorted Elaine. "She'll be going barefoot next. You'd probably like that."

"Awfully healthy," commented John. "Elaine's had a hard day," he went on, grinning up at me. "And I suspect she's hungry—for my scalp."

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put on the shoe which he handed her. Her face was as detached as though she were in the room alone.

"You put your scalp back on, John, and Elaine, you concentrate on good rare roast beef instead, while I take Cary upstairs and put her in my bed. She looks half asleep already." Elaine laughed and handed Cary up to me. "It's going to be a beautiful summer evening, and you might as well enjoy it." I turned as I reached the stairs. "Marcia, there's that bird book you wanted; I found it after you left this morning."

When I came down again I paused on the staircase and looked through the archway down the length of the room's many-windowed walls.

Marcia sat absorbed in her bird book, one hand on Brian's head. John's eyes were fastened on Elaine's face as she looked down at her knitting. The look of admiration in them bespoke the painter rather than the lover. Yet his mouth looked more tender than I had remembered it.

"Have you found the purple finch yet?" I heard him ask Marcia.

"Not yet, Daddy," she replied, intent on her book. "The mother robin is feeding her babies."

"That sounds familiar," murmured Elaine.

"That child is undeviatingly entranced with family affairs," said John.

"Like her mother?" queried Elaine.

John's eyes went briefly to Marcia. "No," he said finally. "That impersonal serenity is all her own."

He had struck home. Elaine's tenacious yet impatient heart was all John's. Though she loved her children intensely, John came first. His weaknesses were as plain as day to her, his genius plainer. But it took him where she could not follow. This she was jealous of, and scorned herself for caring.

I could see it all plainly now. John's independence was clashing increasingly with Elaine's demands—and his own awareness of their validity. Once the clash pushed him into making a stand for what he called his freedom, he might kick over the traces and bolt—unless, as his daughter had quickly discerned, his love for Elaine could be awakened.

As I came into the room Elaine looked up, saw his eyes on her and smiled. Then she frowned quickly and bent her head again over her work. John rose to his feet in one bound, strode to the piano and, sitting down, broke into a strident mazurka. Elaine's mouth tightened. Marcia clapped her hands over her ears. The peace was gone.

Hannah was passing the peas when the storm broke.

"Elaine believes that a man has no

ights when he marries." John's eyes burned with mockery. "He ceases to be a man and becomes an institution."

"No. He supports the institution of marriage." Elaine put down her fork with a clatter. Marcia, on my left, had been happily clearing away the last of her beef until that moment.

John gave a shout of laughter and Marcia froze.

"Institution! I thought marriage had something to do with flesh and blood, not stone and mortar." He glanced at me and grinned. "Ann here will tell you what the church calls it—a bond . . ."

" . . . of love," I put in quickly.

"Of course. I couldn't agree more."

"But an artist," cried Elaine, angrily, "a pure artist, that is, knows no bond of love, acknowledges none. He's only to be bought with empty symbols . . ."

"Tinkling cymbals, you mean. You never could quote the Bible. I'll bet Marcia here can give it to us correctly." He turned to face his daughter. His handsome mouth curved in half a smile as he cocked his dark head and watched her stiff body relax gently against the back of her chair.

"Pay no attention to him, Marcia. Your father is just trying to tease you as usual." Elaine put out her hand toward the child as though she would protect her. The candlelight played on her face, warming her pale skin and making the golden chain round her neck glitter. Her dark hair emphasized the hollows in her cheeks and her yellow dress fell softly away from her shoulders, revealing her white throat.

I STARTED to speak when I saw Marcia raise her head and look at her father. A light came into her eyes. "I know the verse you mean, Daddy." She smiled shyly. "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal."

John's jaw sagged, then tightened. Marcia's eyes held his steadily.

"Yes, yes," he said finally, "that's the one."

"Will you have some potatoes, Mr. Coster?" Hannah asked him, and bent down so that she came between the child and him.

With a sigh John leaned back, and stared at his plate. "No," he began, "or yes, yes I will, thank you." He seized the spoon and scooped up a large helping. "Some day I'm going to do a painting of a tinkling cymbal." He glanced up at me smilingly.

"A self portrait, perhaps?" queried Elaine.

"Maybe it will be," snapped John. "Nice round solid circles—red circles for the body, a transparent square of yellow for the head. You'd approve of that, wouldn't you?"

"It might be interesting—a tour de force in symbolism: little or no relation to reality."

"Stop matching barbs," I put in quickly. "They'll get you nowhere."

"Oh, I haven't finished," began John. "In Sunday school they told us that in that verse charity means love," observed Marcia, as though no other conversation had intervened.

"It's delicious John quoting the Bible," said Elaine. "An atheist quoting Scripture."

"I'm not an atheist," contradicted John. "I'm an agnostic—ready for proof. If you can give me one proof that God exists—I'll recant. But you can't and you never have been able to."

"You're alive, aren't you, Daddy?" asked Marcia innocently. "Who made you?"

"We won't go into that, my pet. Suffice it to say that I know who made you—your mother and I. As I've told you."

"Maybe," said Marcia serenely. "But I don't believe it."

JOHAN was amused by her. "And why not?"

"Because I have lots of things in me you didn't make—I love you and Mummy, and Brian, and my pet hen. And God too," she added.

"How can you love something you've never seen?" asked John, bypassing her first homeward thrust.

Marcia looked at him, her eyes opened wide. "But I have seen Him. Lots of times. I talk to Him every morning first thing . . ." She stopped abruptly and her glance slid around to me.

"She has you in a corner, John," I said. "What's in the heart can't be seen by the human eyes, yet you don't deny that it's there. What about your own love for Marcia, for instance?"

"Ask him about something he's more sure of," interrupted Elaine. "His painting, his beloved painting."

"Confound it, Elaine," cried John angrily. "I'm tired of your nagging. Of course I love my daughter—both of my daughters. They know it if you don't."

"But you're not willing to prove it," retorted Elaine. Neither of them now knew nor cared that they were not alone.

"I don't have to prove it. It's a fact." "Then take that job!" At last—the current nub of their irritation with each other had come out.

"I won't take that job. And if you so much as mention it again . . ."

"What job?" I inquired, determined not to let any ultimatum be thrown down.

Elaine turned to me. "You know how poorly we're getting on—the children need clothes—better food. Yes,"

and she turned to John, "and I need a little rest. I get up at five and start the wood fire—we can't afford oil—and feed the chickens and deliver eggs . . ."

"I wish you'd let me deliver the eggs," begged Marcia. "I could, truly I could. I'd be so careful . . ."

"You're not going to deliver eggs. The roads are too dangerous. And that's that. But that's all beside the point. John has been offered a college job teaching draftsmanship. We'd have a nice house to live in, free—think of it! And money coming in every month. We'd be warm and comfortable . . ."

"And indecent," thundered John.

"It's not indecent to care for your family! Suppose you do have to put your real work aside for a while. That big painting you are doing may hang in a museum, but your family may die before then. Why couldn't it wait, one year even? That's all I ask. You need to care for us, John. Your work needs it—" That did it.

John rose, put his napkin down on the table. He was cold with anger. "Now that you've had your say, made a spectacle of yourself and me . . ." he turned to Marcia, then back to Elaine, "and made your daughter despise her father . . ."

"Oh, Daddy," cried Marcia, "I don't, I don't. I love you." She ran to him and reached for his hand.

John's fingers touched hers gently, but his eyes were bitter. "I know you do. Just remember to be as faithful to your God as I am to myself. We both must be true to the thing we believe in most. But Elaine has no faith in anything or anyone."

"Oh, John!" Elaine's face was white and stricken.

"Both of you are talking . . ." I started.

"Ann," John jerked away and went to the door, "you're a good neighbor. We're bad ones. But please don't try to interfere." And he was gone.

Marcia stood looking after him as though her heart would break. I glanced at Elaine. She sat straight, taut, holding on to her self-control with difficulty. But Marcia's face frightened me, as though things within her were being swept away and she could not seize on anything to stop them.

"Marcia," I went over to her swiftly. "This is the time to believe." I gathered her in my arms. "You are just a little girl, but God is still God."

She wound her arms round my neck and burst into tears.

THAT NIGHT I put Marcia to bed in her own house. Elaine walked about like one in a trance—mechanically pulling off Cary's clothes and putting on her nightdress, mixing some mash for the chickens, filling the wood box. Any-

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THE New Books

Reviewed by DANIEL A. POLING

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE, by Grace Nies Fletcher (McGraw-Hill, \$3.50).

What a book! What a story! Inimitable, heart-warming, dramatic, homespun, eloquent with the faith of a daughter in her father and in her home, and aflame with the faith that lived and moved and had a radiant being in a preacher. This is a love story, too, and who does not love lovers? And it will be quite impossible for you to escape the poignant appeal of one daughter's appreciation of her mother and father. Grace Nies Fletcher writes in her usual intellectual and spiritual maturity. She is almost objective when she evaluates her family's contributions to her life—almost, I say, but she doesn't spoil a single deep emotion for us by one false note. She is as natural and honest as you would expect her to be after you become acquainted with her hero and heroine. Fine writing it is, with at least a sure touch of greatness and definitely the promise of yet greater things to come from this pen.

THE BENT WORLD, by J. V. Langmead Casserley (Oxford, 286 pp., \$4).

Here is a volume, written by one of the most brilliant of our modern interpreters of Christian thought, which moves directly from a searching criticism of Communism to an equally searching analysis of Western civilization. But this author does not write in despair. The world, as he sees it, is not broken, though it is severely bent. And he finishes in hope. He is concerned, gravely concerned, because of the prevailing secularity of life here and now; he thinks that in this the practices of the West, in too many respects, resemble Marxism. There is very fine writing on these pages—perhaps nothing finer than this: "My guess is that when at last this bent world of ours is made straight, when at last it stands erect among us once more, it will be seen, surprisingly enough to some, to embody the form of a cross, and that men will rejoice to sit in the shade of its wide, all-encompassing, all-comprehending boughs. The leaves of the tree of life were for the healing of the nations."

THE LAND AND PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA, by Alan Paton (Lippincott, 143 pp., \$2.75).

This volume is typically Paton and that means that it is top reading for any year.

Originally designed for the juvenile market, it is worthy of a place in every public and private adult library. The publisher tells us that this was an assignment contracted for several years ago—well, this reviewer is glad that the book got written. While it tells the poignant story of South Africa, it tells much more. Again a great man of our contemporary life lifts his voice for freedom and justice.

POLITICAL WARFARE, by John Scott (John Day, 256 pp., \$3.75).

This volume is realistic and, at the same time, prophetic. It cuts through incidentals and sophistries and gets to the heart of the whole business of "co-existence"—peaceful coexistence, or competitive coexistence, or just coexistence, whatever you name it. The author answers four red-hot questions: 1. Shall we—can we—coexist with Soviet Russia? (Answer: Of course; we have been doing it for 37 years.); 2. Should we "drop The Bomb" and get it over with? (Answer: That would not get it over with.); 3. Should we settle things by talking them over with the Communists? (Answer: We *have* to talk things over, but we must not expect that talking is going to settle anything important.); 4. Should we withdraw into an isolationist shell and let the rest of the world worry about itself? (Answer: We had better not, if we are worried about *ourselves*.)

You won't agree with everything between these backs, but you will leave the volume thoughtful, informed—yes, and reassured.

GIFT FROM THE SEA, by Anne Morrow Lindbergh (Pantheon, 128 pp., \$2.75).

This is Anne Morrow Lindbergh's first book in a decade, and she should be ashamed—ashamed not to more frequently bless and enrich the world with her talent! She writes with the pen of enchantment and her sentences are symphonies of sheer beauty. Also she has what my Irish ancestors would recognize as "second sight."

JAMES STREET'S SOUTH, edited by James Street, Jr. (Doubleday, 282 pp., \$3.75).

The son of my old friend and one of my favorite authors has this to say about his father in the present book, "James

Street's South was not the 'Southern Part of Heaven.' It was heaven." Between these backs have been brought together the finest of James Street's writing about the South. Included are his "You Are There" account of the fabulous Kilrain-John L. Sullivan bare-knuckle fight which went 75 rounds. But also there is loveliness and tender reminiscing, song and laughter and poignant tragedy. There is just about everything.

LEARN TO LIVE, by Ervin Seale (Morrow, 256 pp., \$2.75).

This author wonders why anyone should be unhappy who could be happy; why anyone should accept defeat who could be successful. He so thoroughly believes that you and I and all of us may be happy and successful that he writes an entrancing, gripping volume proving his faith.

THE NEW BIBLE—PRO AND CON, by William Carey Taylor (Vantage, 351 pp., \$3.50).

We cannot agree that the Revised Standard Version is a "new Bible," but in these chapters it is subjected to very keen scrutiny by a recognized Bible authority. The author writes from a Southern Baptist point of view. He is generous in his praise of what he likes, but he does not hesitate to criticize—and severely—what he condemns as numerous errors in translation, "frequent infelicity of language," and "out-croppings of modernism." Most of his targets are found in the New Testament. I am bound to say that I find much of his criticism inconsequential.

THE GOSPEL OF GRACE, by Walt Holcomb (Town-Country Church Book Club, Emory University, Georgia, 144 pp., \$2.50).

Perhaps this author, better than any other man now living, can, from personal experience, interpret to twentieth-century Christian readers the evangelism of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Dr. Holcomb's favorite evangelists were D. L. Moody and Sam Jones. Between these backs, in six lectures, he develops the truth that the great doctrines of the Gospel are both old and new and always the same. "One-Day of Great Grace," "God's Amazing Grace," "Goal of the Glory of His Grace," are indicative chapter heads. And "Sam Jones—the Circuit Rider" is both the story of one unique evangelist and a tribute to all others living or dead.

THE PREVALENCE OF PEOPLE, by Marston Bates (Scribners, 283 pp., \$3.95).

Fresh from eight years in a remote part of South America's interior, the author, now a professor of zoology at the University of Michigan, has made on these pages a significant contribution to twentieth-century public health. What he has to say about the causes of death and the postponement of death is vital and gripping. His chapter, "Man Against Man," is one of the finest in the volume.

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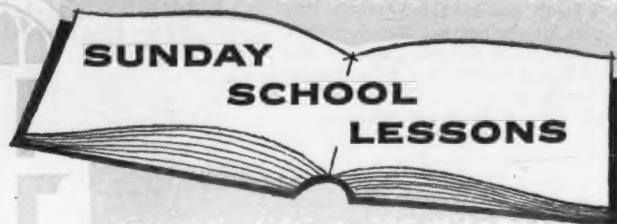
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By Amos John Traver

● Sunday, August 7

LOYALTY UNDER DIFFICULTIES

PSALMS 137:1-6; DANIEL 3:13-18

NINE million expellees and 2,150,000 escapees in this Year of Grace could understand Psalm 137. Exiles speak a common language. Memories of their homelands bring up heart-breaking pictures. For some of them there is a dim hope of return, but for most of them there is no hope except a new beginning in a strange land.

For Israel there was hope, though it was hard to see it while they were still in exile. The people of Babylon did not make it any easier for Israel to keep faith. The psalmist in Psalm 137 pictures the scene. Around the little band of Jews, their eyes overflowing with tears for their homeland, were gathered some of the citizens of Babylon. They laugh at the Israelites' tears and demand that they sing for them. The exiles were through with singing and had hung their harps on the willows. Their hearts were in Jerusalem, not Babylon.

Contrast the preceding picture with that of Ezekiel 1:1: "As I was among the captives by the river of Chebar . . . the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God." The most depressing circumstances cannot drown the song if it is in the heart. Paul and Silas could sing praises to God from a prison cell. Exiles in Babylon had the word of God that they would one day return to Jerusalem. To weep in homesickness was natural, but they were children of God. Had they forgotten God's goodness to them? Where was their faith?

Three young men given official position by the king did not lose their faith. They did not conform to the heathen practices of Babylon. They were citizens of two countries. They would serve the king faithfully to a point beyond which they would not go. They may have remembered what disaster came to their forefathers through worship of a golden image. Their first loyalty was to God's nation and the principles it symbolized. So they defied Nebuchadnezzar.

God's faithful servants never need to defend themselves by any compromise of loyalty. God will defend them. So He did when Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were tested by fire. Faith is the stuff of which heroes are made. They will not be downed by circumstances. They may be exiles from their homeland but they are never exiles from their God. They know they can count on His protecting presence. "Lo, I am with you always" is a pledge good as the integrity of God Himself.

For the Jew, return to Jerusalem was more than return to the capital city of his native land. Jerusalem did represent the golden age of history. It was the city of David and Solomon. And the Jew did expect the birth of a king who would restore the empire in glory greater than the greatest glory of the past. But more than this, hope was symbolized by the temple. There were the mercy seat and the altars of sacrifice. The temple was the visible evidence that God lived. Jerusalem and the temple were the symbol of a spiritual kingdom, the kingdom of Heaven.

We too are citizens of two countries. In Galatians 4:26 Paul wrote, "... Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all." Back in the twelfth century, Bernard of Cluny wrote the hymn, "Jerusalem the Golden." Translated by John Mason Neale, this entire hymn voices Christian hope. It was this spiritual homeland that John saw in vision after the city of Jerusalem was little more than rubble. "And I . . . saw," he wrote, "the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven. . . ." (Revelation 21:2). He saw and was comforted, even in exile. Here, too, is comfort for the millions of modern exiles, and for us as well. Circumstances cannot get us down if we have faith!

Questions:

Many of the psalms express the faith of the Jewish exiles. This faith centered in the temple. Read Psalms 48 and 122. For Jesus' love for Jerusalem read Luke 19:41-44; Matthew 23:37-39. What are some of the idols Christians are tempted to worship today? Can Christians have

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"peaceful coexistence" with atheistic Communism? At what point does tolerance become compromise?

• Sunday, August 14

TRUE TO CONVICTIONS

DANIEL 5:17-28; ROMANS 14:21

WE SEEM to be living in an age of "alcoholic diplomacy." Perhaps we can understand some of the disappointing outcomes of international conferences if we bear in mind the reports of vodka flowing like water. Every toast drunk by diplomats serves to dull their judgment. The round of cocktail parties in Washington has become a disgrace. Cheap salesmen learned long ago that crooked deals were more easily made if they were mixed with alcohol. On a large scale, many national and international politicians have learned to play the same game. Newspapers and magazines are paid millions by the liquor interests for advertising space. It is "good business" to show pictures of prominent people with glasses in their hands, looking prosperous and happy. But running the machines of modern industry demands sobriety. Running the machines of national and international affairs with safety is even more important. Clear minds and steady hands are essential.

How the world longs for a Daniel to direct it in the path of peace! "Dare to be a Daniel" is both a challenge and an appeal rising from the hearts of men. We need leadership grounded in Daniel's faith. We also need leadership with Daniel's sense of the stewardship of life. He felt himself to be God's servant, God's minister, in a heathen world. *He must be his best.* To be less than his best would be to cheat God. If he was to be a tool in God's hand, the tool must be strong and keen-edged. Daniel could not condone eating or drinking anything that would make him useless to his God.

Daniel stood alone amid the crowds of half-drunken, feasting courtiers. Before him was a mighty king with power of life or death over him. Daniel knew that Belshazzar's days were numbered and Cyrus would soon rule Babylon. But his sense of mission was too strong. Even yet there might be time for repentance. So he dared to announce God's judgment.

It would be easy today for us to keep quiet about the dangers of alcoholic beverages. There are social pressures against speaking out. But we know the wrecked careers and disrupted homes that drunkenness too often creates. We have God's Word to quote against this personal and social sin. As Paul points out, we have a Christian responsibility. We are our neighbor's keepers. By example and precept we must do what

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Questions:

Don't miss Gabriel Courier's news items on Temperance in this and previous issues of Christian Herald. For Bible references turn to Genesis 9:20-27; Isaiah 5:11-12, 22-23; 28:7-8; Proverbs 23:29-35. Two questions each of us must face: 1. Will the use of liquor contribute to or detract from my spiritual development? 2. Will the use of intoxicating beverages, even in moderation, help or hinder my Christian witness?

• Sunday, August 21

HOPE FOR THE DESPAIRING

ISAIAH 55

"AQUA! Aqua!" is a cry still heard today on the streets of Italian towns. It may be the shout of an old man, carrying a large water skin on his back. Or in less primitive places the water-man drives a cart with a cask of water. In our immediate world water is plentiful and is piped into our homes, but in Isaiah's world water was scarce and costly. Selling water was a good business.

The prophet's water-man has a strange cry. "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat. . . ." Samuel Rutherford called that "the poor man's market." It was as though some benevolent rich man had bought up the water and food in the market place and offered them freely to all. The only requirement was hunger and thirst. To accept that invitation requires the admission of need.

Centuries later the Messiah of whom Isaiah wrote proclaimed, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink." The "if" still applies. Christ was rejected by the Scribes and Pharisees because they confessed no need of forgiveness. They were self-satisfied, full of pride. "God be merciful to me, a sinner" was a good prayer for the wicked Publicans. The Pharisees needed no saviour because they saw no sin in themselves. Honest confession that we cannot save ourselves is the first step toward salvation.

Isaiah spoke to Jews in exile. Many of them had prospered for they were shrewd and thrifty in business. They were not given to the spendthrift luxury of their heathen neighbors. They were not much excited about a possible

return to Jerusalem. What religion they had was formal. They did not join their brethren as they wept by the riverside, longing for the end of their exile. The voice of the prophet brought no joy to their hearts.

The faithful few heard Isaiah with gladness. However comfortable life might be for them, their hearts were in the Holy Land. Sometimes they became discouraged as the years came and went and they were still in exile. They saw clearly the justice of their punishment. They remembered their fathers' rebellion against their God. They not only mourned for their own plight but also for the sins of Israel. They claimed no right to exemption from the just punishment of their race.

The prophet spoke to their hearts as well as to their consciences. The wicked must forsake his ways, change his thoughts, and turn to the Lord. Then God would pardon abundantly. Though God was merciful, He was not "the easy-going God of good-natured folks," a spoiling Father. He required obedience as well as sacrifice.

The faithful ones heard the invitation with joy. They confessed their sin and the sin of their nation. They trusted God's mercy and received His pardon. What if they must live and die in exile! They would still trust their God. In His good time there would come a Messiah to lead their people to freedom.

All this is a parable of salvation for us. We buy at "the poor man's market" without money. Forgiveness of sins and our God-given blessings are free gifts of God's grace. And the invitation is to everyone who hungers and thirsts after righteousness.

*"I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream:
My thirst was quenched, my soul
revived,
And now I live in Him."*

Questions:

Do we ever have the right to think that we are suffering more than we deserve? Many in the refugee camps of Germany hoped that they might begin life anew in America. But years have passed and only a small part of thousands could be processed and emigrated. Under such conditions would your patience with God last? What has your church done to bring refugee families into your community?

• Sunday, August 28

A NEW START

ISAIAH 45:1-4, 13, 22; EZRA 1:1-7

GOD is God of all. We can accept no narrow concept of our God. He can never be limited to a tribe, a race or a nation. His power is unlimited. Even peoples that refuse to accept Him become tools in His hand to work out His purposes.

Cyrus, emperor of Persia and most powerful ruler of his times, was worked into the divine plan for the salvation of the world. He had been softened in his attitude toward the Jews when he heard of the prophecies of Isaiah and Daniel. Soon after he marched into Babylon, he declared freedom for the Israelites and proposed to resettle in their homeland those who were willing. He would also help them rebuild Jerusalem and the temple.

We may credit superstition for this act of Cyrus. It was natural that he would be favorable to a people who had declared the purpose of their God to give him victory. We may also credit diplomatic strategy in his plan to rebuild Jerusalem. It would place a buffer state along the border of his empire. *But these are only immediate motives.* The long view of history, as well as the vision of faith, shows the purpose of God working out over the centuries. Cyrus moved under God to save the chosen people that the world might be prepared for Christ.

Karl Marx believed in economic determinism. God was ruled out of history. According to Marx's theory, men and nations are caught in the grip of economic forces. The means by which physical life is sustained, ways of getting a living, even climate, all work together to determine the character of a man and the progress of nations. Atheistic Communism accepts this doctrine. But with it Christianity can make no compromise. *God is always at work in history.* It may take the perspective of centuries to recognize His hand, but He rules men and nations in justice and mercy.

For Israel, return to Jerusalem was a "second chance." Not all the Israelites accepted it. Many thousands—too satisfied in Babylon—did not return. But one lesson had been learned. The Jews never lapsed into heathen idolatry again. Those who returned were conscious of their unique place among the nations. They did not realize, however, that their preservation was related to the salvation of the world.

We can see in the new start given the Jews the pattern of God's grace. We, too, have been disobedient and, like Israel, have richly deserved exile from the Holy Land. The voice of Jesus speaks for them and for us as He is being nailed to the cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Christ proclaims "The Gospel of the Second Chance."

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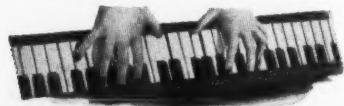
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I NEVER SPROUTED WINGS

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sidered perhaps a little bit crazy—for I actually believed that I was the only one in the world who was possessed of this strange and obsessive desire to fly. Not until many years later did I realize with amazement that the cry for wings is as old as humanity itself, and that practically everyone at one time or another has wanted to fly, far and fast—including good King David who, long before the birth of Christ, took pen in hand and wrote, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! for then I would fly away, and be at rest."

His words have a poetic beauty. But if I read history correctly, David didn't break into print with them any too soon. He got them down just in time to claim authorship—for most certainly most of his equally harried contemporaries must have been saying the same thing. And certainly he snatched the words right out of the mouths of millions of people who have come after him.

Such folk are sick of the world, its treadmill monotony, its corroding cares, its concerns, clamors and confusions. They are sick of its insane iniquities, its incredible inequities, its maniacal selfishness, its colossal disappointments. And so, longing to get away from it all, they cry out with David for a one-way ticket to some never-never land where, at long last, they will find peace, rest and unalloyed happiness.

A bank teller, for example, as he locks himself inside his grilled cage and begins the same dreary grind he has been following for twenty years, wearily says to himself, "Oh, if only I could chuck all this and fly to a distant island where I would never again hear of directors, depositors or dollars." Or a housewife, up to her ears in work, and looking for all the world like a member of a demolition squad, pauses for a moment to tune in on a mid-morning television show, and sees a glamorous star singing and dancing before a spellbound audience. "Oh, why couldn't something like that happen to me! All I have is toil and trouble. If only I could get away from these four walls and go some place where I could live!" Or a minister, working in a small and struggling church, and discouraged down to his boots by poor attendances and dismal finances, hears of the splendid church work that is being done over in Rich Town. "If only I could have a church in such a place, how happy I would be."

There is one thing, however, that such folk overlook in their yearning for a magical flight from life's burdens. Even if they could fly across the widest

continent or the broadest ocean, they still would not be able to fly away from themselves. No man can escape from himself. In the end it is always the individual himself who is the villain of the piece. Even if it were possible for a man to change his environment completely, he would find that he himself was still unchanged—because he had brought with him all the elements that had always caused him unrest and unhappiness. He would soon discover that his fine, new friends—who at first seemed so cooperative and cordial—were fast becoming just as difficult and unpleasant as his old friends. He would find that his exciting new job was rapidly palling into a familiar dreary grind.

Which should come as no surprise. For the wisdom and experience of the ages tell us that peace and happiness are not to be found in a *place*, but in a *state*. Every man builds his own world. And it is exactly what he wishes it to be—because it is invariably what he is himself. If a man is looking for a world of hope and courage he will find those qualities only to the extent that they are to be found in himself. If, however, he goes about expecting the world to be filled with selfishness and deceit, he will very likely find just such a world, for the simple reason that he is carrying those elements within him.

Running away is not the answer. There is no escape in flight. But, thank God, there is hope. We are not trapped in a web. God, in His goodness, has provided a way of deliverance, and every one of us can find it. Let me tell you how one man found it.

NEARLY fifty years ago there lived in Connecticut a highly respected building contractor and churchman. He had a loving wife, three beloved children, an attractive home and a prosperous business. He even had a street named in his honor because of the extensive building he had done in town. And then one day a terrible blow fell. The president of the local bank called him and told the contractor that, because of the dishonesty of his business partner, he had been wiped out and had barely enough left to satisfy his creditors.

That was the bleakest day of his life. His whole world came crashing down about him. He was faced with complete catastrophe—from which there was no escape. The anger he first felt soon changed to fright, and then to shaking bewilderment. His worst fears were quickly realized. He lost his business, his home, his lifelong savings. In the next few weeks he was barely able to scrape enough together to move

to another city in the hope of starting a new life.

After weeks of job hunting he finally found work as a carpenter. He rented a small house, curtailed his family's standard of living to meet his reduced circumstances, and for months thereafter was sorely tempted to charge God with his hard lot.

One day, however, he was idly leafing through the Bible when he came upon the thirteenth verse of the tenth chapter of First Corinthians: "There hath no temptation taken you [or, in more prosaic English, "there hath no trial or difficulty taken you"] but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that you may be able to bear it."

He had, of course, read it many times before. But this time he was so impressed by the words which leaped at him from the page, and so overcome by an awareness of God's love and concern, that his heart lit up.

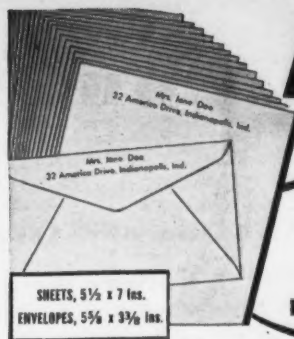
A way of escape! Just what he had been looking for. And here it was. Not of his own devising. But born of the wisdom of God. Not a way of escape from it. Not a way of escape around it. But a way of escape through it.

"I saw in a flash," he often used to say, "that God was a hundred per cent for me all the time, just as He had been for the Children of Israel when they found their escape not away from the Red Sea, not around the Red Sea, but through the Red Sea."

That was the greatest moment of his life. From then on he knew that God had a high destiny for him and that He wished him to grow toward its fulfillment. He learned, in an entirely new way, the strength of prayer and the power of faith. His understanding was broadened, his devotion heightened, his compassion deepened. Christ became his close and never-failing Friend, teaching him the secrets of constant peace and abiding joy, and lifting him up to the very summits of perfect victory despite the varied and vexatious trials of life.

That man was my father. And I am proud to say that when he passed away every one of his former debts had been paid off to the last penny, and he left this world with no ill will for anyone. His family, neighbors and fellow workers genuinely mourned his death.

I do not know why God deals with some of His children as He does. I know that often honesty can be cheated out of its shirt, beauty can be fouled, and truth can be crucified. But this I also know: that somewhere in the shadows you'll find Jesus—because He is always there. And He will always see you through. THE END



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WE FEEL it is presumptuous for women to want to manage all kinds of affairs of the church. Things have been functioning satisfactorily as they are for many years now, with men doing the work for which they are best fitted, serving as executives and leaders, and women doing the work for which they in turn are best suited—support of missions, fellowship activities, teaching, organizing bazaars and suppers. We think this is a good division of responsibility, and we see no reason to stir things up.

Why should women want to be elders, deacons, vestrymen, board members and chairmen of committees, anyway? We can't honestly say we'd ever vote for one. We just wouldn't like having it look as if our churches were run by women. And as for female ministers! Wouldn't you feel silly being served communion by a woman? Most of us share the sentiments of the three women who once voted against the Reverend Margaret Blair Johnstone. "We like *you*," she quotes them as saying, "but we just can't go against Holy Writ," and then they read her Paul's command in I Corinthians 14:34, 35: "Let your women keep silence in the

churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak . . . And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church."

WE'RE content with our position as "the power behind the throne." We women have a lot more to say in things than anyone likes to admit. When we really want something done, we have only to make a tactful suggestion to our husbands, and let them act as our spokesmen. Men have louder voices than women, anyway, and it's easier for them to stand up and talk. It may be old-fashioned nowadays to think so, but it just doesn't seem ladylike for women to speak out in church. The less often women put themselves in the public eye, the more they help maintain the refinement and gracious dignity of their role. There's even some drawback in having woman organists or singers, if they detract from the serious mood of the service.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York held in May this year expressed our thoughts when they again decided not to admit women as vestrymen, church

wardens or convention delegates. As the Reverend David T. P. Bradley of Christ Church, Yonkers, N.Y., pointed out, women who would assume such posts would be sure to have "a psychological ax to grind."

Getting back to the idea of women ministers, that's something we consider just out of the question. Women don't want to be told what to do by another woman, and men get enough of it at home! Women like to feel that they have a man as leader in church. And what woman would want her marriage service performed by another woman? It isn't dignified. A man's deep voice sounds so much more reverent. And a funeral service presided over by a woman would seem more like a farce! Even a baptism wouldn't be right. There is something so impressive about the contrast of a tiny baby held—and being blessed—in the arms of a strong man, while a baby in the arms of a woman is an ordinary sight.

There may be women who could do a better job of preaching a sermon than some men, but we wouldn't want to listen to them week after week. A woman might speak once a year on a special women's Sunday or on Mother's Day, but that still doesn't seem quite right, somehow.

We're like the old farmer in the small country church. While the regular minister was away, the church was sent a visiting preacher—a woman who had graduated from theological seminary at the head of her class and who had won many outstanding honors in the field of religion. After hearing her preach, this old farmer shook his head slowly. "That surely was a fine sermon," he said, "and she'll make a fine minister for some church, but me—I'd rather have a man that wun't so good."

There's another point, too: How can anyone be sure of the sincerity of a woman who likes to push and run
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SHOULD woman's place in today's church continue to be primarily a kitchen or fund-raising place? Or should women have "equal rights" in all affairs of the church—spiritual, administrative, financial? We have interviewed numbers of women to get their reactions. They are combined here in statements representing each side's viewpoint. The opinions in your own church may make good material for a forum or panel discussion.

- Jane Kirk

Their Role in the Church?

NO

WE WANT ALSO TO:

- share in policy-making
- have a voice in deciding use of funds we have helped raise
- be consulted in plans for building and expansion
- often serve as ministers and education directors
- in addition to performing traditional "women's work," take part in the total life of the church

WE BELIEVE there should be more to a woman's share in church work than mixing a good potato salad or working on a bazaar to raise funds the men-folks will spend! Of course we do more than this, and much of it is satisfying and rewarding. But most of what we do is still the traditional "women's work," and many of us would like to go on from there and contribute more to the total life of the church. As Dr. Mary Lyman, dean of women at New York's Union Theological Seminary, says, "I feel that women have been pretty content with a role, which, if they surveyed it more carefully and thoughtfully, might not seem so satisfactory."

Precedent and prejudice are largely to blame for the boundaries placed on women's participation in church affairs. Once these two restraints have been broken down, it will no longer seem strange for women to have full voice and responsibility in nearly every area, even ordination. Unfortunately, precedent and prejudice can only be done away with through patient "eating around at the edges." It is a slow process. The women who are today taking positions as ministers in small communities, with little pay and no hope of advancement, the women who are assuming secondary roles as assistant ministers and directors of religious education, or as a single woman member of a policy-making board, have only this consolation: they are paving the way for their sisters of the future. Serving efficiently and earnestly in any such positions now open to them is the best way to convince the world of women's ability and sincerity.

As Dr. Kathleen Bliss, of the executive committee of the British Council of Churches, has pointed out, women—ever since Eve—have had influence, but not responsibility. Their influence has been felt outside the home as well as within, but, on the whole, women

have rarely had to take the responsibility for any action that may have resulted from their counsel. It's time, we think, for women to step out from behind the scenes, stand up for their own ideas, and accept any responsibility and criticism that may come along.

The report of the Conference on Women in the Church, sponsored last March by the Missions Council of the Congregational Christian Churches, stated: "We are grateful that Congregational Christian women are privileged to have positions of leadership and service within the framework of our denomination, and we realize that such a privilege carries with it great responsibility. In order to develop the potential position and service of women in the church, we must constantly re-examine our pattern and its adaptability to the changing contemporary scene."

RAISING church money and letting the men decide how to spend it is too bad, we think. All policy-making boards should be equally divided between men and women, or rather, should be formed of those most highly qualified to serve, regardless of sex.

Mrs. Mossie Allman Wyker, president of the United Church Women, writes in her book, "Church Women in the Scheme of Things" (Bethany Press, St. Louis, Mo., 1953): "In the changing world scene, church women are becoming restless. They are not

content with 'second class' membership in the church. They have varieties of talents to be used. There always will be those women who are happiest when they are serving church dinners, raising money for local support and the missionary enterprise, and being 'pastor's helpers.' They deserve great appreciation.

"However, there are others, wanting also to serve the church, who believe their best contribution can be made at policy-making levels. A business woman, for instance, may be of greater service on the Board of Trustees, helping with the business matters of the church, than on the dinner committee. There are also women who love and believe in the church above all other institutions and who long to serve it professionally as women serve in other areas such as education, law, medicine and business."

Women are individuals, each with particular talents and abilities. While many are undoubtedly content with their present place in the church, it is urgent that all of us, with our Christian respect for the individual, be fair and open-minded toward those women who would like—and are able—to serve God in other ways.

As to the age-old stumbling-block posed by Paul (I Timothy 2:12, as well as I Corinthians 14:34, 35), a great deal of thought has been given this by the Disciples of Christ. Their special 1953 study, "Women in the Church," quotes another statement Paul made (Galatians 3:27, 28) on the equality of women, and reaches this conclusion: "We are all aware of the status of women in the Roman world. Therefore, the utter freedom portrayed in the New Testament is spectacular. In the face of social custom and the generally accepted views of women, Paul was right to advise that women keep silent in public worship . . .

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woman's place
in the
church

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WOMEN'S ROLE: YES!

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things? She may be perfectly honest, but again she may be just looking for notoriety. Let women be active in

business or politics, if they want, but the line should be drawn at the ministry. This is a dignified profession, and it is our obligation to protect it from the sensationalism associated with women evangelists.

And finally, women today are already getting too far away from their important work in the home. Certainly they don't need to force their way into further fields unsuited to them. The shocking growth of juvenile delinquency is proof that women are neglecting their most important duties.

It may not be popular or "modern" to feel as we do but we're convinced that women can do the most for their church by remaining in their important but less conspicuous role, and leaving top-level responsibility to the men.

WOMEN'S ROLE: NO!

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Woman's place in the service of the church is a matter to be determined upon sociological and psychological grounds, rather than upon theological grounds. This is the only way that the various references to women in the Bible, especially in Paul's writings, can have any meaning when taken as a whole."

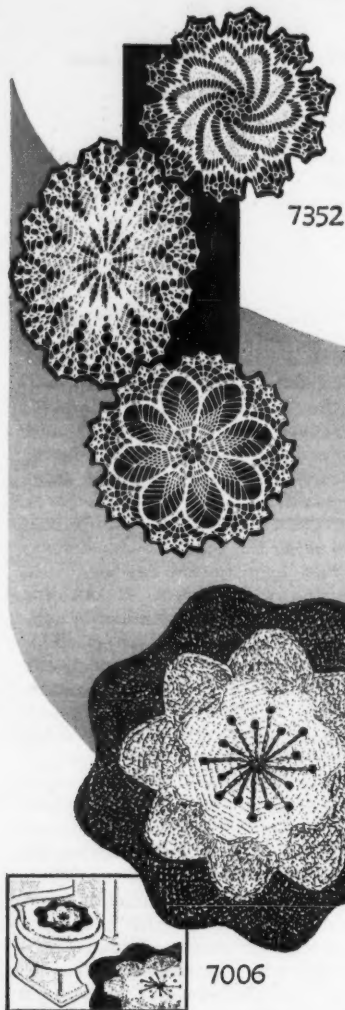
We believe that each churchmember—man, woman, youth—should have full opportunity to serve, according to qualifications, capacity and training, in matters which concern the whole congregation. These include calling a minister, erecting and caring for the building, division of money, program planning. In co-operative work outside the local church, women should be able to serve on an administrative level according to ability, interest and availability. In full-time employment by the church in such positions as ministers and educational directors, men and women should have equal opportunity, equal pay and equal security.

According to Mrs. Wyker, many women are honestly asking, "Has it really been the fault of men, or could we have accomplished more if we as women had sincerely wanted this freedom and had been willing to *earn* our rights and privileges?" She adds that she has "great faith in what church women can become and achieve over and above the traditional service which has been 'allowed' them in the past. We must earn it, but... if we continue to mature spiritually, educationally and emotionally, the day is not far distant when we will be granted 'full membership' in the church."

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where little girls may "borrow" dolls in the same way adults take babies for a period of probation before the adoption becomes legal. Explain to the children that they must bring their dolls in for a "check-up" at the end of every two weeks during this probation period. If the doll shows signs of good care, the child will be permitted to take it out for another two weeks. At the end of three months, if the care has been satisfactory, a little girl may win permanent custody of her doll and will be given "adoption" papers.

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DOLL clubs are another possibility. Perhaps there is a sunny room in your church parlors which could be used as a meeting place for groups of little girls. Here they can bring dolls and doll clothes and spend a happy time together washing, ironing and making clothes, or just dressing the dolls and playing house. Members of your group might take turns supervising the doll club. Through this pleasant play, constructive ideas can be quietly drawn to the children's attention. They can be helped to improve their abilities in sewing, washing and ironing, learn more about getting along with others.

Your group can keep an adequate supply of dolls available by raising money for a special "doll fund." Perhaps you can arrange with a manufacturer to buy dolls at wholesale prices. It would also be fun for your group to provide each doll with its first outfit of clothing.

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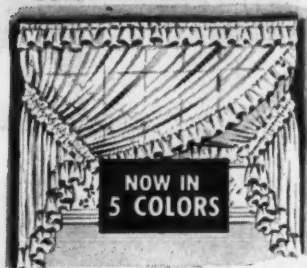
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MARCIA

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thing and everything that kept her busy, while her mind stuck to one thought. "He's gone, he's gone—I know it." The words burst from her in a sort of moan. I handed her a cup of hot milk.

"Not for long," I replied, not believing my own words. "He wouldn't walk to the station—it's too far, and the jeep is still in the driveway."

"You don't know John," she replied.

At six the next morning I let Brian out—and listened a moment at the door. The birds were caroling back and forth, the sun was warm on the sill. The roses on the trellis sent their perfume out on the air. I thought of Marcia.

She had not wanted to say her prayers last night, but I had insisted. Afterwards she had lain quiet, looking up at the ceiling. "I guess He's still here," she said finally. "Because I feel better."

I bent and kissed her. "I'm sure He is," I said. "Good night, Marcia. Sleep well." I turned at the door. Her eyes closed, though not in sleep, I knew.

As I finished breakfast, Mimi pushed open the outer door that was ajar, jumped on a chair and began washing her paws. She was a little like John, I thought—painfully independent. It was then that I realized Brian had not returned. At mealtime he usually lay on the rug just outside the archway into the dining room, waiting for permission to enter.

"Hannah," I called, "have you seen Brian around?"

"No, Miss Ann, I don't believe I have. That's strange!"

"I'll blow for him." I took the dog whistle from the window sill. Though inaudible to my ears, it carried a long distance. He'd be back soon.

Shortly after eight the telephone rang. It was Elaine.

"Ann—" Her voice was full of fear. "Is Marcia with you?"

"Why, no. What's the trouble?"

"Oh, Ann, I'm sure something's happened to her. She wasn't in her room this morning when I went to call her. I thought she'd slipped out to see her pet hen before breakfast. Half an hour ago I went outside to call her, but she was nowhere in sight." The next words came with a rush.

"Ann, I'm afraid. I think she's tried to take my early morning egg route and you know that road. People are so careless this time of morning. Especially where there's ground fog. Ann, will you look? Cary's sick—I've been up with her all night—and I don't dare leave her." Elaine's voice was growing hysterical.

"I'm sure nothing has happened to

Marcia. But I'll come up, certainly. John?" I queried.

"No." She gave a sob. "He hasn't come back."

"He will. I'll be there at once."

I got the car out and as I turned around to go down to the road I thought I heard Brian's bark far away. I'd forgotten he hadn't answered my whistle.

As I stopped at Elaine's house she was at the door, her face white and full of terror.

"I'll find her," I called. "Did you telephone Mrs. Henney to see if she's been there?" That would be the first stop on Elaine's egg route.

"Yes. She hadn't."

"Then she's not gone far." And I stepped on the gas.

I kept a sharp lookout as I rounded each curve. Little patches of ground mist sometimes impeded my view. There was no traffic now—all those rushing to make the eight-ten to the city had gone by. But there was no telling how early Marcia had started on her trip.

I had gone three quarters of a mile when I heard Brian's bark again. This time it was repeated in quick staccato notes. As I rounded the next curve my heart lunged. Striding down the road towards me was John Coster, bearing in his arms a slight, limp figure. Brian was at his heels.

As I rushed the engine, Brian recognized the car, tore up the road towards me, then turned and raced back to John who stopped, lifted his head to stare at me, then dropped it again and plodded on.

AS I reached them I jammed on the brakes, jumped out of the car.

"John! Marcia?" And I touched her.

"I don't know," replied John. "She's alive. But some idiot driver must not have seen her in the fog and side-swiped her. I found her in the ditch."

"Give her to me while you get in the car."

"No." He pushed me away. "I'll hold her."

I opened the car door, then bent and touched Marcia's forehead as John got in. Her skin felt warm and I breathed again. Brian scampered into the back seat, I slid in under the wheel and slammed the door.

"John," I said as we drove along, "Elaine missed Marcia almost an hour ago . . ."

"Why didn't she get out the jeep then?" barked John angrily.

"Cary's sick—Elaine's been up with her all night."

John groaned. "Oh no!"

"You'd better stay in the car, while

I go in and prepare her. I'll stop the car by the bushes so she can't see you. She's in bad shape, John."

"All right."

Nothing more was said. Brian put his paws on the back of the seat and licked my ear, then poked his nose over and tried to reach Marcia's hand on her father's chest.

"He led me to her," John said finally. "I'd have gone right by her. Brian was standing over her, barking. When he saw me he dashed out, then back. So I followed him. She's so small—I'd never have seen her."

"John, we're almost there. I'd pray if I were you—hard."

A choking sound burst from him. "I don't know how."

"Just feel—He'll know." And I stopped the car.

At that moment a little scraping noise came from Marcia's throat.

"Marcia!" John shifted her in his arms, buried her face in her neck.

"I'll get Elaine." I hurried to the gate and opened it. Elaine met me.

"I heard the car stop . . ." she began. Then she saw John coming up the path, Marcia in his arms.

"Marcia, Marcia!" And Elaine was trying to take the child. John stopped her.

"She's all right. Open the door for me."

"Mummy?" It was the faintest of sounds, but the blood rushed back to Elaine's cheeks.

"Oh, John, John!" She stumbled, blinded by her tears.

Inside John laid Marcia tenderly on the sofa. I went for some water. When I came back, Elaine was on the floor beside her, smoothing back her hair. "Get the doctor, John, quick."

"I've already telephoned him," I said. "Let me see her, Elaine."

As I lifted Marcia's hand to feel her pulse, she opened her eyes. "Miss Ann?" Her lips rather than her voice formed the words. I bent over her and looked straight into her eyes.

"You're all right, dear," I said. "You're safe in your own home. Your daddy found you and brought you here."

Her eyes flooded with a sudden light.

"I knew he would!" Her voice was so low I could hardly hear her. "I woke up in the ditch and couldn't move . . . I asked God to bring my daddy, and He did . . ." Her eyes grew puzzled. "I don't remember him finding me."

"You went to sleep again. And that's a good thing to do right now. I'm going to take off your dress and put your nightgown on."

I heard crying and looked up. Elaine was in John's arms, sobbing softly.

"Oh, John, John! It has been so awful without you!"

His hand went up to her hair and smoothed it.

"It's all right, Elaine. Everything's all right." Then he tilted her head up. She opened her eyes. They looked at each other for a full moment. Slowly John took her chin in his hand, bent and kissed her. His love for her was as clear as a light in a dark room.

"Brian's a good dog," said Marcia, speaking in her natural voice for the first time.

"Yes," I said tenderly, and bent to kiss her.

I HAD a letter from Elaine yesterday, her first since she and John and the children had settled down at the university.

"John is working hard," she wrote. "And so are his students! He drives them like a drill sergeant. Marcia is enrolled in school. She misses you and Brian every day, she says. You must come out and visit us. We can give you a whole room and bath to yourself—think of it! Our house is quite pretty—honeysuckle vines over the porch. Cary is fat as a butterball."

"I must tell you something John confessed the other night. It's taken him all this time to be able to say it, I guess. That awful night before Marcia was knocked down—it still seems a miracle that she wasn't really injured in any way—John said he went to the city from your house. There he painted furiously but was thinking all the time: 'tinkling cymbal—tinkling cymbal!'—he heard it over and over in his mind. And Marcia's words about loving him and her pet hen and God. Suddenly he knew he couldn't bear living his life without her. So he caught the milk train back."

"For once I bit my lip instead of asking him where I came in. I don't think he would ever have told me if I hadn't. After a long time he said, not looking at me: 'On the train I got to thinking how I'd come to be father to such a child as Marcia. That brought me to you, Elaine. You gave her to me. I think I really began to love you then—really love you, I mean. I guess you know you've always been pretty exciting to me. But this feeling is different.' Then, Ann, he said what I'd been longing to hear ever since we've been married. He said: 'I've come to cherish you, Elaine. I'll never change.' He still has bursts of temper—teaching is hard on him, and I'm determined it shall stop after this year. But I'm not afraid any more."

"Marcia just came in and I told her I was writing you. We all send love."

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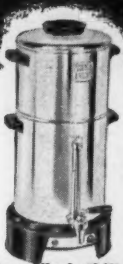
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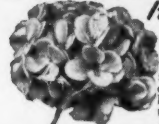
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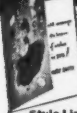


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FAITH COMES TO A SALESMAN

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it would help him keep his focus sharp, too."

"Do you ever suggest this practice to anyone?" I asked.

"I hadn't intended to," he explained, "but one day at a church gathering I was asked to give a talk. Naturally, I felt more qualified to talk about my own experiences than about anyone else's, so I told the story of my little lapel cross. Before I knew it, I was urging others to try it."

"Salesmanship!" I had to say.

"Can't get away from it," he agreed. "I even went a step further. I said I'd buy a cross for anyone who wanted to try the experiment along with me. Twenty-five took me up on it, and now we have over a hundred in use. Even Bobby got so excited about it, he took some of the crosses to school and gave them to the kids."

It was not only the church group and the school that were impressed with Anderson's idea. A number of salesmen whom he took on a training tour among his clientele caught the

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When I told Anderson's story to a minister friend of mine, he said, "It's a great idea. I'd like to see every one of my laymen come to church Sunday with a cross on his lapel."

THIS however, is not Anderson's point of view. He does not wear the cross on his "Sunday suit." Sunday religion, he says, takes care of itself. The cross and what it means, he believes, should be used "on the job," an emblem of faith and work.

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MR. STICKLE GOES TO CHURCH

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going to be something else. What if Frank just put his foot down about it? She could picture Mr. Stickle's disappointed face as she blurted some miserable excuse. Oh, Frank *had* to say yes! Of course, she thought, she should have consulted Frank first. But that was the way she was—too impetuous, maybe. When something sprang from her heart, there wasn't a thing she could do to stop it. And as happy as the old man seemed, he was pathetic too. Imagine his thinking about would-have-been milestones like an anniversary, when he'd never even had a sweetheart.

GINNA waited till Friday to tell Frank about the invitation. He frowned. "You'll have to cancel that, honey. I have news for you. Aunt Les just phoned that she's visiting in Jersey, and she'll be out on Sunday."

Her chin lifted. "And why should that keep Mr. Stickle from coming?"

"Ordinarily it wouldn't." Frank looked away, and Ginna could see that he was straining to sound patient. "But Mrs. Canning came down from Harwood with her." He kept talking as she gasped. "Let's put it this way—I don't think your old friend would enjoy Mrs. Canning."

"I'm sure he's not the only one who wouldn't enjoy her," Ginna flung. "Your aunt has some nerve bringing the mother of the girl you used to be engaged to for a visit." She stiffened

even more. "I should think you would have told her that."

Frank flushed. "If you want to know, Mrs. Canning invited herself along. Aunt Les couldn't help it." He pulled off his jacket. "But, anyhow, what difference does it make about Mrs. Canning?"

She took a jagged breath. "I don't like to be reminded that you were once engaged to her daughter," she tossed furiously. "I can see what Sunday's going to be like, with me sitting there picturing you with Vivian Canning."

"Now, aren't you being silly? You never even saw the girl. And as far as I'm concerned, she's a closed book. Had been long before you and I started going together." He took a step toward her. "Honey, you're the only girl I ever loved. You—"

"You told me you broke up with Vivian just because you couldn't stand her mother," she interrupted fiercely.

Frank took her by the shoulders. "True, darling. But I would have married you, even if I couldn't have stood your mother."

Ginna had to smile. Then she was close in his arms. Oh, she never could stay mad at Frank—never.

But she had a suddenly dimming thought. "I don't know how to get in touch with Mr. Stickle. He used to live with a family by the name of Clayton, but they moved to California. I know

he lives in a rooming house in the Bay section, but that's all I know."

Frank shrugged. "Guess you'll have to wait till Sunday to tell him."

She felt almost sick at the idea. "But, Frank, he'll be so disappointed at the last moment. All dressed, and expectant about it and everything."

"Honey, what else can you do? Those two strait-laced women and an old—" He trailed off, not meeting her gaze.

Ginna had stiffened again. "An old what?" she hurled. "Matthew Stickle is a whimsical and dignified little old gentleman, and I'd be proud to introduce him to anybody."

"So he may be," barked Frank. "But he isn't coming Sunday and that's that."

"And what if I said that your guests aren't welcome either?"

He glared at her for a moment, then stalked out of the room.

It ended the way it usually did, with Frank winning his point. On Sunday she dressed for church, her heart full of resentment and the dread of facing Mr. Stickle. It wasn't as though she hadn't tried to find the old man. She and Olive Marvin had inquired at every rooming house in the broken-down Bay section. Nobody had a spark of recognition for her description of Mr. Stickle. Oh, there was almost nothing she hated to do more than to tell the old man he couldn't go home with her.

"You run ahead and see if Mr. Stickle's in the park," she told Peter. If they saw him before the service, it would be just a little easier, she told herself.

Peter's small face was working. "I don't see why he can't come with us," he grumbled. "I don't want to wait till next Sunday."

"I don't either, Peter," she said. "But it's just something we can't help." And then her heart sank. There was no sign of the old man in the park. "Oh, dear, now we'll have to wait till later."

All through the service Ginna was on edge. "Please, God," she prayed, "don't let him be too disappointed."

Afterwards she started reluctantly for the park. But halfway down the block, something tapped her on the shoulder. It was Mr. Stickle's cane. His round pink face was beaming. "You didn't see me in church, did you? Aha, I see I surprise you. I said to myself, 'Matthew Stickle, when some nice folks are kind enough to ask you for dinner, it's time you did a little thanking.' First time for me in church in years, you know. First time. It's a good place, Mrs. Ellison—a good place. Should have gotten myself back there a long time ago."

Ginna swallowed. Oh, how could she ever tell him now? After too many

years away, he had gone to church again, in gratitude for an invitation that she had to postpone. And she could see how much care he had put into his dressing. His frayed coat was neat and brushed, and his shoes shone like his eyes. How could she turn and say it? *You can't come till next week, Mr. Stickle.* Why, even Peter was kicking the gravel as though he felt the pathos in the situation.

Now the three of them were walking slowly down the street, and she was powerless to blurt out the words she had prepared. Frank would understand when she told him how it was. He would just *have to*. She took a relieved breath. Peter looked puzzled and pleased, but he made no comment. Sometimes he was wise beyond his years.

"Nice little place you have here," said Mr. Stickle. "Plenty of trees. Hmmm—brick steps too. Not used to having no creak under my shoes. Yep, all my life I lived in places where there was creak under my shoes."

FRANK opened the door, and his mouth went ajar at the sight of the old man. For a wretched ten seconds Ginna signaled him with her eyes, and then relaxed somewhat. At least, Frank wasn't going to take things out on the old man. He shook Mr. Stickle's hand warmly, and she could see that he made sure that the old fellow didn't catch the furious look he flashed at her.

"You take Mr. Stickle in the sun room and make him comfortable," he said to Peter.

He was right behind her when she went to hang up the battered hat. "What's the big idea?" he whispered.


Ginna stammered as she tried to explain. "Just think," she kept saying—"he went to church because of us—our inviting him here. I just couldn't—"

Frank shook his head. "It's not going to be good. If Mrs. Canning hasn't changed a lot, it's not going to be good. If she looks down her nose at your old man, you'll just have to take it."

"She hadn't better," Ginna tossed over her shoulder. But she hadn't missed the change in Frank's tone. He did understand. And it was even more evident when he strode into the sun room and began chatting with Mr. Stickle.

It took Mr. Stickle ten minutes to win over Frank. In that time he had commented intelligently on every one of Frank's prized possessions, and had admitted that there was nothing he liked better than fishing. Frank's favorite sport. And when Frank left to pick up the two ladies at the train, Mr. Stickle said to Ginna, "It's good to see a fine girl married to a fine man."

She could have kissed him. Later
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MR. STICKLE GOES TO CHURCH

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she said, "I'm sorry that we're having company. It would be nice to spend the whole day together, just the four of us."

Mr. Stickle smiled, and his eyes were warm. "I like ladies," he said.

And they'd just better like you, if they know what's good for them, thought Ginna as she heard the car door shut. Then she was being introduced to the tall, stiff-faced Mrs. Canning, and smiling at Aunt Les. Try to be sweet, she told herself. For Frank's sake, try to be sweet.

She made a silent entreaty to Peter. *Oh, Peter, please look as though you're glad to see them. And don't tell them you already have a map game—*

Peter didn't get the eye messages, and was about to fail her on both counts when Frank took both women's arms and steered them out to the sun porch. "Now, you must meet our friend, Mr. Stickle—"

Ginna took an easing breath. No one had ever bowed as graciously as Mr. Stickle. "What a surprise," he beamed. "Two such lovely ladies—"

She looked at Frank, and he gave her a wink. There was a pleased glow on both women's faces. All that worrying for nothing, she thought. All that worrying—and she wasn't going to let herself think about Vivian Canning.

AT the table the conversation was almost sparkling. Aunt Les gave the old man an approving smile. "You have such a unique way of putting things, Mr. Stickle." And Mrs. Canning was no longer stiff-faced. She had actually laughed out loud.

When they were eating their dessert, there was a knock at the door. Peter answered it, and came back with the announcement that Daddy had to go next door right away. "Mrs. Jarrett's bird is acting funny."

Frank excused himself without a frown, and Mrs. Canning said, "Frank was always so helpful to everyone. Harwood people still speak well of him. And Frank was always so religious. I remember when he was engaged to Vivian they used to go to church together every single Sunday."

Ginna froze. And then she stiffened even more because Peter blurted, "Daddy doesn't go to church now." He put out his plate. "Can I have more cake, Mom?"

Her fingers trembled as she cut it. Mr. Stickle had swiftly changed the subject. Oh, she wanted to crawl away and die! Frank had gone to church with Vivian. The thought kept hammering in her mind. It was torture to try to smile—torture to try to act as though nothing were troubling her.

And she could feel the old man's sympathetic eyes. He was doing his best to carry the conversation into safe channels. When Frank came back, announcing that Mrs. Jarrett's bird was all right, she didn't look at him.

After dinner Frank took Aunt Les and Mrs. Canning out in the yard to see some special bushes. Mr. Stickle declined to go, and Ginna guessed why.

"Whatever you do, my dear, don't mention what that lady said about your husband," he said gently. "Especially not to him."

Hot tears almost welled in her eyes, but she fought against them. "Oh, Mr. Stickle—I feel terrible. But why shouldn't I tell him? If he thinks—"

"If you tell him, he'll go to church with you. And not for the reason that you want him to go, Ginna. It would just be forcing him. It would be an appeasement." He touched her arm again. "Don't you see, my dear?"

Ginna caught at her lower lip. "But I don't see why he went to church with her, and he won't go with me. If he loves me so much more, the way he says he does—well, it doesn't make sense."

Mr. Stickle smiled understandingly. "He couldn't love you any more. It shouts out all over him. But just be a smart girl, and keep this thing under your hat. Maybe you won't be sorry. Now promise me."

She swallowed. "I promise," she said.

Aunt Les came in and insisted that they do the dishes. "Come on," Frank

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said to Mr. Stickle. "You and I will do some fishing talk."

Ginna still couldn't look at him. She could hardly breathe against her wound.

That night it was only her promise to the old man that kept her from turning on Frank furiously. And yet, he seemed completely oblivious to her misery. He pulled off his tie with a grin. "Well, the day went pretty good, didn't it? And I must say your Mr. Stickle gave me a charge. He's a clever

old somebody. Real likeable too. The ladies actually took to him. In fact, I'd say he gave them a good time."

"Mr. Stickle is wonderful," she said tightly.

IT was a wretched week. The only way she could keep Frank from guessing that she was depressed was to plead tiredness. He looked worried. "You don't look like yourself. Maybe you ought to see the doctor."

"I'm all right." It was all Ginna could do to keep from snapping out her words. How could she ever push away the vision that was always before her now—the vision of Frank sitting with Vivian Canning in church? And not to be able to throw it up to him—Oh, it was cruel!

There was a note from Mr. Stickle on Friday. His words made her eyes misty. What a fetching way of saying thank you, she thought. And even Frank cleared his throat when he read it. "I like that old man," he said. "You know, Ginna, a couple of times this week I got to thinking how he went to church, just because he was grateful for your invitation. He was telling me about it on the porch last Sunday. At first I thought he was doing it for my benefit because of what Peter said you told him. But then I saw I was wrong."

Ginna almost had to bite her tongue to keep from blurting out her grievance.

Sunday came, and the morning was

like a bright bouquet at the window. She didn't look out as she usually did to watch Frank in the garden. He was always up from the time that dawn was a pale scrawl in the sky. "The best time in the day," he'd say.

Ginna dressed, thinking grimly. At least, I can tell Mr. Stickle that I kept my mouth shut. Her nerves were on edge anyhow from her tussle with Peter at the washbowl. And oh, dear, why did Frank always have to let the coffee boil? It smelled dreadful.

She was at the kitchen door when she heard a stir in the dining room. Ginna gave a little lurch. Frank appeared fully and impeccably dressed in the doorway, and he was smiling at her. "You're seeing straight, honey. I'm ready for church."

Her throat filled. "Oh, Frank—" She broke off and ran to him. But she couldn't tell him all she felt. She could only look at him with her eyes shining.

Frank took her hands, and his face came close. "Guess if Mr. Stickle can go to give thanks for having dinner with you once, it's about time I went to show how grateful I am for being with you every day of the year."

Ginna closed her eyes happily. *God bless Mr. Stickle*, she thought, *for making me keep quiet*. Frank was going to church now because he wanted to.

And now she was calling to Peter, "You'd better hurry, dear. What do you think? Daddy is going with us."

THE END

CHRIST IN CAMPHOR WOOD

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MARIAN CARTER

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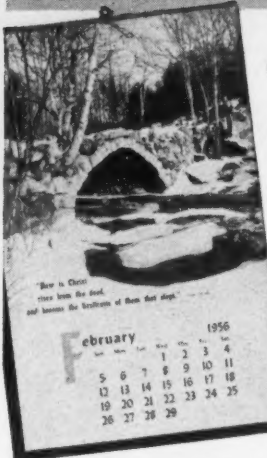
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DIVIDED CHANCEL

I appreciate your excellent magazine. It is stimulating and helpful in its many practical suggestions. Among the many fine articles of the Spring '55 issue is "The Facts About a Divided Chancel" by John R. Scotford. This should be in pamphlet form to be distributed by building committees and pastors.

REV. ROLAND O. HUDSON
Norristown, Pa. Calvary Baptist Church

... Pagan superstition is perpetuated in the divided chancel and the centrally placed altar of the Roman Catholic church and is ignorantly reflected in Mr. Scotford's divided chancel and central communion table replacing the pagan and Roman Catholic altar. Why put the communion table in the central and most conspicuous place in the church when it is

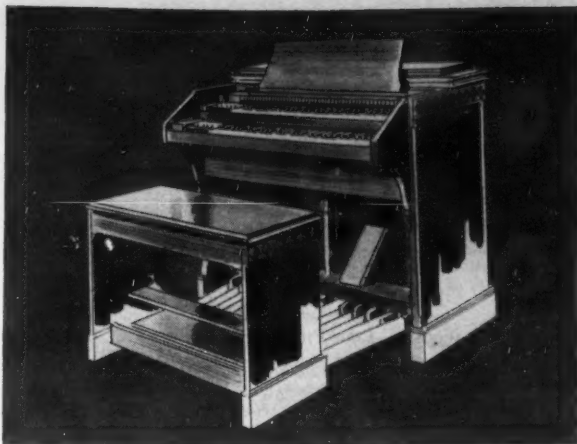
used only once a month or once in two months or even only once a year? God is not in that table made with hands. If God is anywhere in a church He is in the hearts of His people, the people in the pews and especially the preacher in the pulpit. The pulpit and the preacher should have the central place in the church and should not be pushed off to one side. And all the architecture, arrangements, and furniture of the church should be designed to that end.

Chester, Vt.

A. M. WATTS

... Mr. Scotford misrepresents the cause of those non-liturgical churches which abide with firm convictions concerning their traditions. The most objectionable feature in dividing the chancel and raising the communion table to a conspicuous point is not even mentioned. Our table now is on the floor. When pastor and people observe communion, they are gathering around the Lord's Table in the fellowship of believers. There is great

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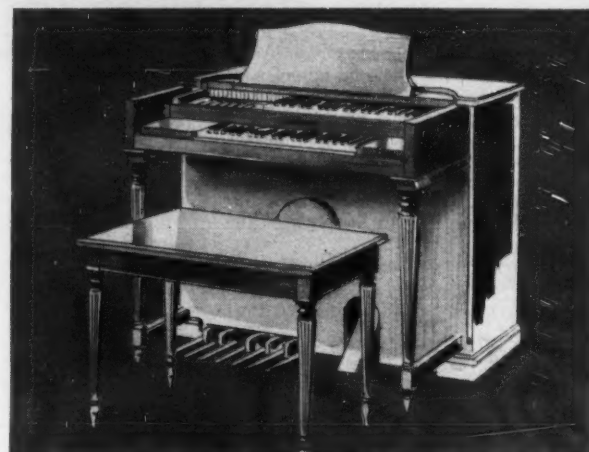
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Carlisle, Mass. REV. R. B. DEMPSEY
Carlisle Congregational Church

... I have never read anything that so misrepresented the facts. A Catholic priest said to me, "Yes, you folks will soon be a part of us again. Already you see the necessity of the candles, the divided chancel, and tradition in your services and many of your men are now wearing our clerical garb. It won't be long till you have returned to the Holy Church which you left." I was stunned to say the least, but thankful for his remarks which shocked me into realizing just how truthful his statements really were.

Your article bears out his accusation. If it is better to speak from one side of your audience, there is no doubt but that our finest large auditoriums would be built that way. If it is really to make the speaker less noticeable, then why dress him up in an unusual fashion or, better still, why not put him entirely out of sight in his study and amplify the message in the auditorium?

The preaching of the Gospel is the rea-

son for our gathering together. I find it hard to imagine Finney, Billy Graham, Billy Sunday, John Wesley, Ironside, Redpath, or any other of our great preachers seated on the side of a platform quietly observing the worship with fellowship as its theme and centered upon the communion table.

Chicago, Ill. REV. RICHARD G. GORDON
Norwood Heights
Evangelical Congregational Church

STEPS TOWARD HEAVEN

Orchids to the modern church architects. They are helping people to go to church. They are getting the entrance to the vestibule down near sidewalk level. Until the last few years I never noticed the obstructions which an earlier generation of church architects placed in the way of churchgoers. Now, a muscular affliction makes it very difficult for me to climb steps.

Casting about in my little city for a church with easy access, I find that the Baptist requires that I climb 7 steps to gain entrance; the Nazarene, 10; the Methodist, 14; and the Presbyterian, 18! But the new Congregational, now in process of construction, makes a strong appeal to me by providing only 3 steps to the entrance level.

By way of comparison, most business houses have only one step, or just a gentle little ramp, to bring one up to main floor

level. But, if I decide to go to the Devil, the liquor store and tavern entrances are right down at the street level!

Pullman, Wash. EARL R. SHOUP

CHURCH LEGAL MATTERS

Sometime soon would you run an article outlining the articles of incorporation, constitution and by-laws of a church? It should be more extensive than "Is Your Church Legal?" (PCA&E, Spring '55). If not this, would you please send me a copy of a constitution for a Baptist, Congregational, Community, or Disciples church? Lone Pine, Calif. ERNEST D. MILLER

■ An article on articles of incorporation for churches would exhaust many pages and such material is not in demand except in rare instances. Write to the headquarters of the several denominations mentioned and ask them to supply you with the constitutions of their communities.

BUILDING COSTS

We hope to start construction soon on a new church. What would a reasonable figure per cubic foot be? Before we let out the bids we would like some advice on costs.

Fremont, Mich. L. D. CONKLIN
Chairman, Building Committee
First Methodist Church

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Flint, Mich. North Baptist Church

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BAPTISTRY BACKGROUNDS

I am interested in background scenery for a baptistry. The permanent painted type at length becomes old. I am wondering whether there may be scenes available on heavy paper. I know some houses market large Easter and Christmas backgrounds.

May's Lick, Ky. REV. ARCHIE D. ODOM
May's Lick Baptist Church

... Could you give me the address of someone who paints murals for the baptistry? I know of one church that had a nice picture painted for \$75.

Johnsbury, Pa.

REV. HOWARD F. PIERCE
First Baptist Church

■ The trend today is away from pictures of this sort. Why not decorate the baptistry back wall in some sort of soft, cheerful pastel shade of paint? You may feel that you would like to put a shelf there with some flowers on it. Careful lighting and color selection will do a great deal to beautify this ordinance. You will find that the symbolism is much more effective against a plain wall than against a pictorial wall. If you find the place looks a bit bare when you are not having baptisms, why not get a soft curtain to put across the opening? This could be readily drawn open when needed on Sundays. This gives a dignified, pleasing appearance to the baptistry, and gets around the problem of a suitable picture.

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We are interested in refinishing our pews which are still in very good shape. Is there a superior pew varnish which will not stick to clothes in the humid summer months?

Du Quoin, Ill. REV. JOHN H. MAUTHE
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■ In order to make sure that the varnished pews do not stick to clothes in the humid summer months, you will need to do two things: (1) Thoroughly clean the

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We are having difficulty in finding the right kind of storm windows for our church. We have windows that come to an arch at the top. The companies that make a metal-frame storm window charge more than we feel we can afford. We cannot use wooden-frame storm windows for we have no place to store them in the summer. We need a permanent-type window which can be converted to a screen window in the summer.

It has been suggested that we buy a permanent wooden frame for the arch and use a metal frame, which can be converted in the summer, for the lower part of the window. However, we have been told that you cannot leave a permanent glass storm window over a stained glass window, as the heat would break the stained glass. Can you inform us whether this is true or not, and are there any other suggestions you might make?

Zearing, Iowa REV. JOHN BARTLETT
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Hartland, Mich. REV. DUANE MEIER

... Some time ago I was told about a company that sold "packaged churches." It seemed to be some type of pre-fabricated construction. I now have in my District two congregations that are considering building new churches and I would like to have a lead on some companies that offer such proposals.

Lexington, Ky.
M. P. McCLURE, Superintendent

The Lexington District
The Kentucky Conference of the
Methodist Church

■ Yes, there are companies making pre-fab churches. We have referred Readers Meier and McClure to them.

Editorial Comment

PERSPECTIVES

PRACTICALLY this entire issue of PCA&E is devoted to Christian education, its philosophy, the direction it is taking, the facilities it requires. Why such an emphasis now? Because, first, church building continues to boom. Church school construction is a necessary part of the picture.

During the first quarter of 1955, new church building starts amounted to \$215,000,000—32 per cent ahead of the figure for the same period of 1954. Every denomination shares in the record. Meeting at Atlantic City, the middle-sized American Baptist Convention, for example, with 6,000 churches and 1,600,000 members reported a building boom in their communion unequaled since pioneer days, with at least half of their present churches carrying on building expansion programs, and \$6,500,000 of an \$8,000,000 "Churches for New Frontiers" building aid fund already raised. Educational facilities figure largely in these or any other statistics.

Second, the importance of the church school is now more than ever recognized for the reservoir it is: the largest single source of churchmembers available to a congregation. Experts say that the church school recruits, in fact, 60 to 75 per cent of all new churchmembers joining by profession of faith. Churches neglecting the church school are therefore neglecting the future of the church, no matter how prismatic the building's windows, how deep-piled its carpets. The future of the church lies in the pleasant patter—and the problematical clatter—of little feet.

HAVING made this observation, we hasten to add that we do not believe that, as has been charged by at least one church official, "our preoccupation today is with the physical plant." We do not share the "feeling that Protestantism has been baffled by the shifting, changing character of the American city and has fallen back on the illusory security of solid, tangible structures of stone." Nor that "the evil of building-centeredness" is widespread.

Certainly, the building is not an end in itself. A congregation dare not—and most of them, we are persuaded,

do not—cease to work at its high calling when it moves into a new home. A building is a tool; let us never forget this. But neither let us forget that tools are essential. The workman must have them. But having them, he must not only polish them, keep them sharpened, protect them from rust—he must use them.

A church is not an impressive mausoleum; it is a workshop. If the church is not designed and equipped to be a fitting workshop, and if its members are not disposed to be workmen, then the building is sham and pretense, whether arching Gothic or angular contemporary. But if the churchmember is committed to work, he must have a place in which to work, a sanctuary in which to find his strength, a base from which to exercise it.

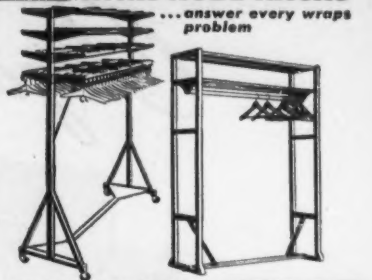
NEW York's unfinished Cathedral of St. John the Divine (Episcopal) has become a challenge to today's architects. The Cathedral was begun decades ago in Gothic style. The vestry is considering abandoning these traditional forms, and continuing the building in contemporary style. This would provide financial economy, and it would make the mighty Cathedral a drama in stone and steel of the adequacy of the church for any age and its adaptability to any age. Such is the theory.

Taking issue with this, Pietro Belluschi, Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, says: "In effect we are asked to pit in a most direct and intimate way the results of our wisdom, of our knowledge, of our maturity as architects, against a set of forms which have for a thousand years served as the very symbols of human inspiration to worship. Hollow forms when copied, you say, but still speaking with endearing tones to the multitudes, still representing in the eyes of many people the highest expression of religious faith when faith was at its highest."

Is Dean Belluschi saying that religious faith was "at its highest" in the period of Gothic origin—that is to say, the Medieval period—and that the terrors of the Inquisition, the venality of the church, the Christ-less Christianity of the time, represented "the most spiritual period" of history?

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A NEW DAY FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday-school aims and procedures have recently undergone important changes, just as any living organism grows and develops. This firsthand report sums up educators' latest views on how best to plan and equip for every age group

THE Sunday school has come a long way in its comparatively short history. It has come a long way both in philosophy and housing. Because it is an organism of living persons, it has grown, developed, expanded, changed. Because it continues to be a movement of people, it continues and will continue to grow and develop. Where is the Sunday school going? What are the latest trends of Christian education, and where do those trends point? Christian educational conferences held during the last year help to answer those questions, and some of the new answers may be startling to some people.

But then the Sunday school has always been startling—ever since Robert Raikes, English layman, editor and philanthropist, became concerned about the juvenile delinquency of his day and decided to do something about it. In his time—the latter part of the eighteenth century—children worked a long six-day week, and were deprived of anything which even resembled religious or secular education. Sunday, the only day they had free from their arduous toil and poverty, found them roaming through the countryside, upsetting and damaging farm products and properties. In the city streets they ran riot and were a menace to the populace.

Robert Raikes' first interest in these so-called "miserable little wretches" was termed by *Gentleman's Magazine*

as being "subversive of that order, that industry, that peace and tranquility which constitute the happiness of society; and that so far from deserving encouragement and applause it merits our contempt, and ought to be exploded as the vain chimerical institution of a visionary projector."

THE story of the start of Christian education in America, evidences a similar storm of protest. One Jules Daughaday, a Methodist preacher, was drenched with water pumped from the public cistern "for the crime of conducting a Sunday school for the benefit of the African children of that vicinity." In New England, a young woman who gathered a little Sunday school together in the gallery of her church, was forbidden by the church to continue her work on the ground that she was "desecrating God's day and God's house." The old pastor of the church shook his ivory-headed cane at the young girl and her flock, shouting in his wrath, "You imps of Satan, doing the devil's work."

In striking contrast to all this, some ten thousand delegates representing 1,700,000 teachers and officers of 157,000 Sunday schools enrolling 19 million pupils in the U.S. and Canada will assemble in Cleveland, Ohio, this summer to reappraise the far-reaching Christian educational movement which now seeks to readjust itself to a more effective ministry in meeting the

changing patterns of human needs.

Even a hurried glance back across the years reveals some significant changes which are prophetic for the future. At first, there was little formal attempt to relate the material taught to the interests, the needs and the capacities of the youth and children. This state of affairs was, in a measure, alleviated by the mothers who instinctively interpreted the Bible stories to the children gathered about them in their homes. With all its good points, early religious instruction was very much adult-centered. Children were to "be seen and not heard." There was little attempt to understand God's laws of growth as they unfold in the developing person. The subject matter taught and the teacher were the focal points. The needs and capacities of the child at the level of his development were given little consideration. Church buildings were adult in their design, proportions and appointments.

Later came an adjustment known as the "Akron plan," wherein the whole church building was designed to open up so as to focus upon the pulpit. Mass movement techniques with a single lesson for all ages were still perpetuated in a slightly modified way. The curriculum was the center, and the same lesson was taught to all, irrespective of age. True, the physical arrangement did provide some separate classrooms of a kind. There was some sem-

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They Traded **BLEACHERS**

One answer to the cry for more classrooms: "found" space in an outmoded Sunday-school rooms for this Elgin, Illinois church, plus needed offices,



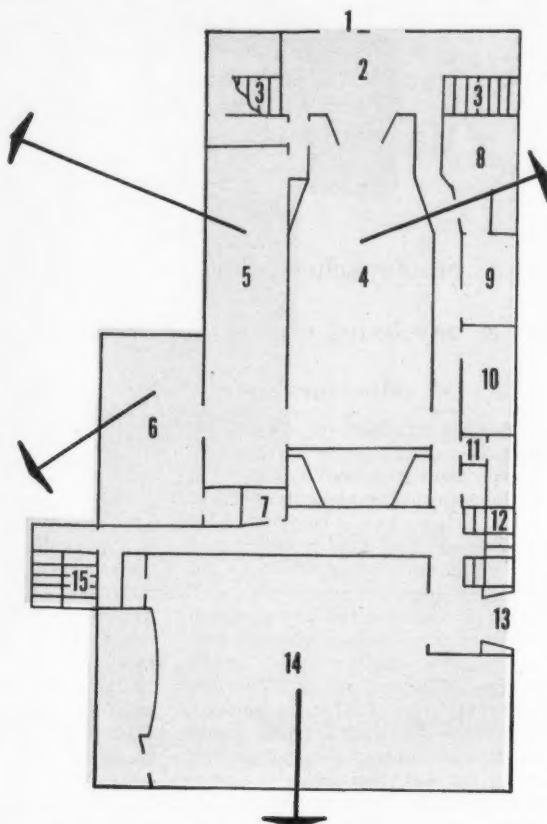
New church parlor (fig. 5 in floor plan) is one of several rooms made from old ground-floor assembly area.



Kitchen (fig. 6) was completely refurnished with steel cabinets, counters, sinks, garbage disposal, dishwasher.

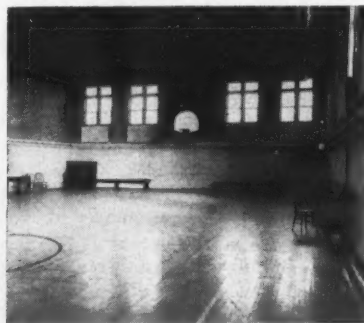
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In upper part of gymnasium, at ground floor level, new floor was built. This houses fellowship hall, sometimes used for classes as well as social occasions.



Remodeled ground floor includes new floor built in old gym (fig. 14), parlor and kitchen, chapel (4), offices (8), pastor's study (9), conference room (10), rest rooms (7, 11). Stairs (3, 12, 15) lead to sanctuary, classrooms. Entrances—fig. 1 and 2, 13.

Below-grade floor of old gym was lowered to make new youth department.



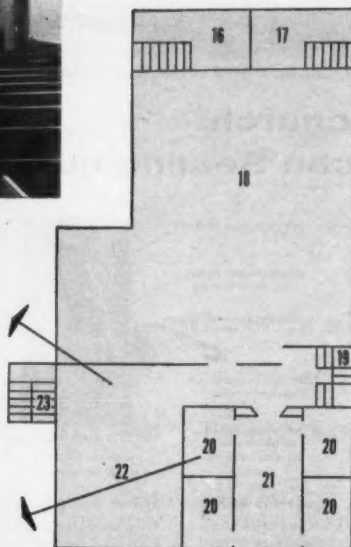
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gymnasium. Imaginative remodeling added two floors of parlor and chapel—all within its existing building!



Left, chapel (fig. 4 on facing page). Floor plan below shows basement (boiler room, 18) with lowered gym floor now youth department.



Recreation room with kitchenette (fig. 22) and assembly room (21) are part of compact youth unit.

At left is typical classroom (20). Stairs go to ground floor (19, 23) and there are rest rooms (16, 17).

Ground floor fellowship hall, with stage facilities (same room shown on facing page as classroom area) is ideal for suppers, banquets and special programs.



THE congregation of the First Evangelical United Brethren Church of Elgin, Illinois, found that the gymnasium that was their pride and joy when they built it in 1923 had become expensive and almost useless waste space 25 years later.

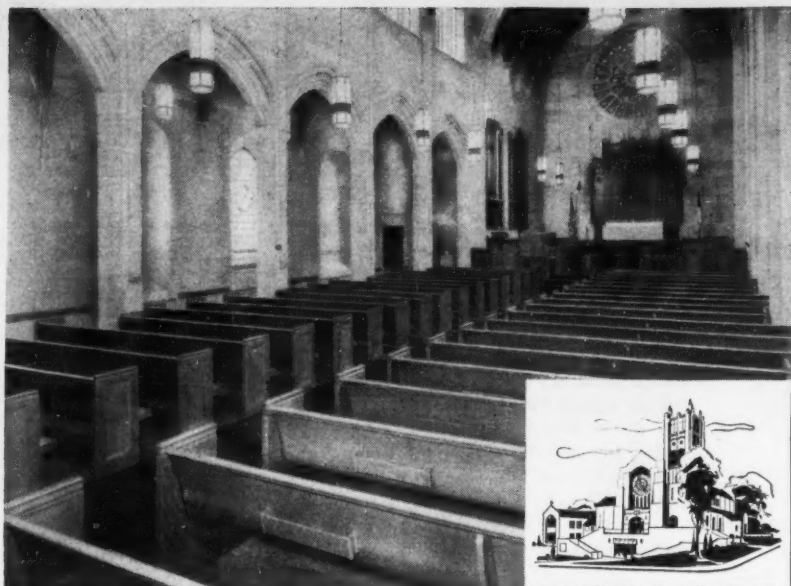
The gymnasium served its purpose well for many years, following its inclusion in the church's first expansion program. The church structure erected in 1893, had shortly after the close of World War I become too small for the congregation's growing needs. The Sunday school was crowded. The church desired to expand its program of fellowship and its services to the community. To provide the space they needed they built an addition to their church which housed the finest gymnasium in the city, and, above it, sixteen Sunday-school classrooms and a junior assembly room.

A gymnasium was an adventurous departure for these devout people in those days. But for fifteen years they made good use of it. It was busy every evening in the week and often in the daytime. Every age group used it.

But by the end of World War II, many things had changed. The city high school, two blocks away, had built a fine modern gym. Several grade schools and a junior high school had gyms or play rooms that could be used by the community, and two more modern junior high schools were being planned. Also the leisure time interests of children and adults had changed. The church gym was now used by only a handful of boys a few hours a week. And the Sunday school had once more outgrown its quarters.

Another room was also getting less-than-capacity use. The entire ground floor of the main building under the second-story sanctuary was a single assembly room, large enough to seat several hundred people but seldom used for more than fifty or a hundred.

In addition to classrooms, the church needed adequate and convenient office space, an attractive church parlor and a chapel for weddings and junior church. A building fund had been started with the idea that another ad-

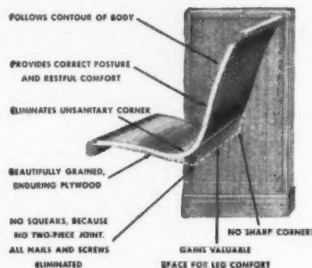


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dition to the church might be constructed on the parsonage lot next door. But the church people were not enthusiastic about that kind of expansion when there was already so much unused space in the gym and assembly.

The church building committee on buildings and grounds suggested that the gym be remodeled into two floors of Sunday-school rooms. This practical idea captured the imagination of the people, and the building fund began to grow until it reached \$135,000. Someone suggested including the ground floor assembly room, the kitchen, and the heating plant in the remodeling program. At this point Architect Leroy W. Thompson was retained to develop the plans.

When the bids came in, the committee was disheartened. The lowest was over \$200,000. But the congregation voted to go ahead.

"When we began work on those two large unusable rooms that had become such a discouraging nightmare," said Pastor John F. Schaefer, "we never dreamed that they could be made so beautiful and useful."

THE ground floor assembly room in the original building provided space for modern offices and board rooms, a dignified chapel seating about one hundred, and a beautiful and comfortable church parlor—all close to the main church entrance.

The below-grade floor of the gym, lowered two feet, became the youth department with four classrooms, an assembly room and a recreation room with a kitchenette for snacks.

In the upper part of the gymnasium and on a level with the ground floor of the main church building, a new floor has been built. This section is close to the kitchen and is equipped with a modern stage so that it serves as a social and banquet hall, as well as a large class area.

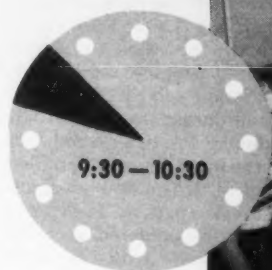
The only entirely new construction on the outside was a stair-well to give additional access between the floors.

The kitchen was completely refurnished with steel cabinets, counters, sinks, dishwasher, garbage disposal unit, range, mobile dish racks and coffee urns.

The new chapel is perhaps the most cherished of all the improvements. Besides its frequent use for weddings, funerals and special meetings of a devotional nature, it is regularly used on Sunday morning for a first preaching service to accommodate those who find it hard to climb the stairs to the sanctuary for the main service. Then at 9:30 it serves as a classroom. At 10:30, during the regular church hour, it accommodates the Junior Church.

The Elgin church "found" all this space under its own roof. THE END

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let the **CLOCK** solve your space needs

If you prefer not to build, you can still achieve added space by means of the two-session Sunday school. Here are the facts on this practical plan

By JOHN R. SCOTFORD

THE simplest way to get more out of a church building is to increase the number of hours that it is used. Our Roman Catholic friends can afford ornate churches because they use them many times on Sunday and at several hours on weekdays. For them to seat everyone at once, as Protestants commonly do, would be impossibly expensive. Their example may help us with our current problems.

One of the biggest problems is where to put the children. The mounting birth rate has inundated the nursery and kindergarten, is swelling the numbers in the primary department, and will soon create problems in finding room for the juniors and junior highs. Church-school workers commonly list their first need as "space."

Yet the older people are inclined to say, "In the good old days we had a Sunday-school attendance of three or four hundred in the same rooms which you now say are crowded with two hundred. We got along all right. Why the present fuss?"

The answer is that our teaching

methods have changed. Fifty years ago we were satisfied if the pupils—of all ages—sat still and listened while the teacher talked. This did not take much room. Now we know that teaching is more than a pouring-in process. Small children will be far happier and will learn more if they are permitted to move around a bit. The older ones need a setting in which they can talk back and have discussions. Both processes require far more space per pupil than did the direct-admonition method of the past.

DDOUBLE sessions make more space available by reducing the number in attendance at a given hour. This is the most economical way to enlarge.

When it is suggested that a church school meet at two hours rather than one, certain misconceptions can be expected.

The *double* session is often confused with the *extended* session, which is a plan for keeping the same children for two hours or more so that what has been taught can be expressed through various activities. Where there is a

double session, different children meet at the two hours.

"Then we will need twice as many teachers!" is the common complaint. This is not necessarily the case. To change the hour for four-year-olds from nine-thirty to eleven will not require a larger staff—unless the new arrangement attracts more four-year-olds or the greater space available makes possible smaller groups and more activity.

"But the teachers will have to teach for two periods." This is possible, but we have never heard of its being done except in an emergency or where seminary or college students are paid for double duty. The usual practice is for one teacher to handle a single class.

The most frequent objectors to double sessions are the families with children of assorted ages, presumably to be brought at different hours, and the teachers who naturally desire to attend church. The way these problems are handled depends upon the way the two sessions are set up.

Double sessions may be managed in any of several ways. A school may be

divided on an age basis, the older children coming at one hour, the younger ones at another. There may be two complete schools meeting at the two hours. Or there may be classes for the smallest children at both sessions, with some of the older ones coming at one time and the others at another.

The most frequent arrangement calls for the children from the fourth grade up to continue at the conventional church-school hour, while the children from the third grade down are shifted to the same time as the church service. This division is made on the assumption that the children nine and over can get around on their feet, on their bikes, or can ride with neighbors and friends, while the children eight and under are brought by their parents. Having them come at church time serves two purposes: it encourages their parents to attend church while the children are in the church school, and it makes available much more room than can be had when all the school is there at one time.

This arrangement creates equipment problems. Those who come early need adult-size chairs, and are insulted if asked to sit on little ones. Those who come late need chairs and other equipment to match their size. Either there must be some quick and probably noisy scene shifting, or one type of equipment will get in the way of the other.

Few churches report much difficulty with split families. The parents bring the small children, while the older children manage by various devices to get there.

Arranging for the teachers who work during the church hour to have the privilege of adult worship is a more troublesome matter. In some schools the staff is rotated so that a teacher teaches for a quarter and then goes to church for a quarter.

An increasing number of churches have two church services paralleling the two sessions of the church school. This simplifies the teacher problem, as those who teach during one service can worship at the other.

A variation of the age-basis division is a duplication of classes for the nursery, kindergarten, and possibly the primary at both hours, with older groups restricted to one period. Here the greatest gain is in the better use of the equipment for little people. The equipment stays in place for the two hours.

If there is only one church service the teachers of the little children can alternate for a couple of months at a time between the two hours, thus getting to church on half the Sundays.

Two complete schools, each paralleled by a church service, may have a different set of officers. This can be seen in the Community Church at

Glenview, Ill., and in the First Congregational Church of Billings, Mont.

"How are the pupils divided between the two sessions? Do they shift back and forth?" are two common questions about this arrangement. The answer to the second question, "No, they stay put." So far as possible, parents are allowed a choice as to hours. But if the classes are crowded at one session, pupils may be assigned to the other. The early hour is somewhat more popular than the later. When we visited the South Methodist Church in Manchester, Conn., in late September, seventeen primary classes were meeting at 9:30 and twelve at 11, but teachers reported that in a few more weeks the late enrollments would swell the second session.

Triple sessions have been found necessary where children are numerous and room is scanty, such as in Community Church, Greenbelt, Md.; The

Church Notes

OUTDOOR ALTAR

In a paper on modern English church architecture read before the Royal Society of Arts in London, A. B. Knapp-Fisher, a former president of the Architectural Assn., suggested that new churches include an outdoor altar in their plans. An outdoor altar, he said, would be a visible symbol of the Church's belief and like the way-side cross would have a deep effect on all who passed by.

Congregational Church, River Edge, N. J.; and Bushnell Church, Detroit. One of these churches announces that it has provision for pre-school children at any of three hours and for the primary age at two, but that the older departments meet at one time only.

The confusion which it creates in the minds of parents and others appears to be the greatest objection to the three-session school. People have a hard time mastering a complicated schedule. Difficulties arise if any of the sessions extends past noon. Keeping small boys washed and dressed for church is a strenuous undertaking and the sooner they can be got off to classes the better! Eleven o'clock appears to be the latest feasible hour.

Parallel sessions of the church and the church school afford a number of positive opportunities for training young people in churchmanship. Either regularly or occasionally the older classes may share in the worship of the church, leaving for their classes before the sermon. In the Congregational Church at Scarsdale, N. Y., (see *They Didn't Tear It Down*, p. 18*), juniors "go to church" one Sunday a

month. This interchange between church school and church is an excellent way of introducing children and young people to adult worship.

Where there are two or more church services the music for at least one of them is usually provided by a children's or young people's choir. Those who sing at one service attend the church school during the other.

In introducing the two-session Sunday school the major practical problem is psychological. It is a new idea, and appears to break a pattern. In Pennsylvania we once encountered a church which was far more ready to spend \$100,000 for structural changes than it was to consider shifting the hour at which some of the children came to the church school. It took another Pennsylvania church three years to become sufficiently accustomed to the idea of two sessions to seriously consider introducing it. Time, plus visits to churches that have such sessions, is the best psychological preparation for this departure from the ways of the past.

The more permanent difficulties in the way of double sessions are structural. When our fathers built churches they tried to get everything as close together as possible. This was due to the troubles they had with heat and their desire to hold an occasional great mass meeting. To keep warm they put one floor on top of another; to accommodate the high school commencement and other great occasions, all the rooms on the same floor could be thrown together by opening up movable partitions.

These conditions make double-session church schools difficult in many churches and impossible in some. At least one church-school session is usually held at the same time as the church service. This calls for a situation where the church school cannot hear the organ and the worshipers in church are not disturbed by the singing of the church school. This is impossible where hot air registers or cold air returns carry sound from one floor to the other. If two services are to be carried on simultaneously, there must be solid walls, substantial floors and neither air ducts nor pipes which transmit sound. The old churches which meet this test are usually those in which different parts of the building were erected at different times. Occasionally stair wells are enclosed and the floor substantial, as in Trinity Methodist Church of New Britain, Conn., and parallel meetings are possible.

Any congregation contemplating either alterations to its present building or new construction of any kind should give much thought to sound control. They should look beyond today and tomorrow into the future. Even though
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Getting the Most Out of VISUAL AIDS

A "primer" on audio-visual materials, designed to help you understand, acquire and properly use these tools for enriching Christian education

BECAUSE audio-visual aids are unique materials, they need special understanding and special utilization techniques if we are to get the most out of them. This takes a special committee in the church.

The first job of the audio-visual committee is to understand the media for what they really are. This will require some reading and study. My own book, "Projected Visual Aids In the Church," will help. So will Dr. Edgar Dale's "Audio-Visual Method In Teaching." And the Visual Education Fellowship of the National Council of Churches has pamphlet and visual material which is very useful.

The second job of the A-V committee is to understand the methods that must be employed in the use of audio-visual materials. Visual aids can help children worship—if they are used as they should be. Pictures teach and explain—if used properly.

The third job of the A-V committee is to find and train people in the proper use of audio-visual equipment.

A-V Committee Personnel

The chairman should lead the whole committee in its work. He should have the ability to get others to work. He will want to use visual aids which will show him what his committee ought to do—and "Let Them See" is a filmstrip designed for just that. In the "Audio Visual Resource Guide" of the National Council of Churches he will find other visual materials which explain the nature and use of audio-visual aids.

One member should be made responsible for the equipment. He should learn all about its care and use. He can take charge of renting equipment for use in the church. And he can train operators and build up a corps to serve

the church. This is an important job—and it requires the right man.

Another person can be the A-V librarian. He should collect the catalogs of local rental libraries of the denomination, and above all become familiar with the resource guide mentioned above. Officers and teachers should feel free to ask him about materials. The librarian should keep an eye on the curriculum and activities of the church, and develop A-V ideas for the various leaders. This can be one of the librarian's greatest services.

All this adds up to getting capable people on the committee. In big churches a committee of five members is about right. In small churches two or three members may be enough.

This committee should be tied into the educational committee, board, council, or commission of the church. The chairman may be a member, or several members may be on the parent board. Experience has shown the folly of setting up an independent committee for every sort of special need and interest.

The A-V Library

"What should we buy?" is a question frequently asked. The answer is: "Buy what you know will be used frequently over many years—and rent the rest." This means that you should buy filmstrips that will be used in more than one department. A filmstrip on how the Bible came into being will be needed from Juniors up, this year and next.

I am often asked if I recommend the purchase of motion-picture films. The same rule holds. If you know of a good film that you will use over and over, and for more than one age level, you will do well to buy a print.

You ought to buy some slides. They, too, are visual aids. They are now underrated and neglected, but all wise religious educators know that the slide is a powerful aid in worship and instruction—if used properly. A good set of slides, such as the Elsie Anna Wood pictures of Jesus and His work, should be in every church A-V library and their use encouraged, especially with little children.

Certainly, the church, through the proper channels, should set aside adequate money for the purchase of visual aids and visual-aid equipment. The idea that they should pay their way is as silly and shortsighted as that blackboards should pay their way. Money should also be set aside for films and filmstrips just as money is budgeted for curriculum and other necessary materials.

A-V Equipment

A lot of churches want to start with motion pictures, which are expensive and hard to use. Some churches should start with slides, with teaching pictures, and with a better use of their blackboards. The principle is: start where you are in your understanding and ability.

This governs what you buy first. A church recently wanted to know which motion picture projector I would recommend. I asked if they owned a slide or filmstrip projector. They did not. I suggested that they start there. One year later they wrote that they had organized a committee, studied some books, secured a slide-filmstrip projector five months ago, and now wanted to look around for a motion picture projector. That was fine. They were growing up. Premature use of motion pictures can, and often does, stop the

development of an A-V program in a church.

Good equipment is important. I like filmstrip projectors of at least 500 watts, if they are to be used in a large room. Those of 300 will do for classrooms and small halls. I prefer those that are easy to thread, and in which the filmstrip can be backed up. Also, they should have a fan so that they don't get hot. And they should lay down a sharp, flat picture on the screen. I like motion-picture projectors which rewind the film without need of changing the reels about. And I prefer those that don't weigh a ton, don't need frequent oiling, are quiet running, and that have attached reel arms which fold up.

For big halls you'll need a 15-watt output of sound. In classrooms, ten or even seven will be ample.

The fewer the gadgets, the better. Reverse is not important. Stop-on-frame is so much tomfoolery. And silent speed won't be used once in a blue moon.

Look equipment over carefully. Ask for explanations of every feature. Check with other users. Above all, buy from a dealer who can give you service, who will stay in business, and who will stand by his claims. Don't expect him to give you a discount. Be wary of those who offer it.

Daylight or Darkness

A great deal of the effectiveness of a picture is determined by how well it is projected. I don't want total black-out, but just the right degree of darkness. Attention to the picture, or flow of pictures, is thus more concentrated because, in the darkness, other objects in the room cannot compete for the audience's attention.

There is no doubt that a good image can be obtained in daylight conditions. We now have better reflecting screens, and projectors of higher power. But it takes at least some room darkening to develop the full effectiveness of a projected visual aid.

Black-Out Materials

The best black-out material I have found is heavy dark blue, or black, cloth. Theater supply houses generally stock this material. Made into traversing draperies, it costs but a few dollars per window. In most windows, pull cords will not be needed. The draperies can be pulled together by hand if carefully mounted on a waxed rod.

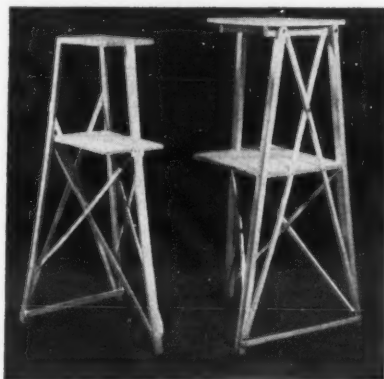
Every drapery should be full—at least half again as wide as the width of the window. (A fifty-four-inch window, for example, would require 81—or 54 plus 27—inches of material.) It can be mounted inside the casement, or on the face of the casement. Weights can

be put in the hem to keep the drapery steady when the window is open for ventilation. The drapery may billow out to let in air, but it will not admit light.

Venetian blinds are seldom as effective as draperies, which have the added advantage of improving the room's acoustics. Where draperies are to be a part of a decor they can often be designed to also serve dark-out purposes.

One Room—or Many?

Rushing children from one room to another, whether in school or church school, is just plain silly, and ought not to be tolerated. Thanks to help from many sources, this notion is now pretty well gone. And with good reason. How can a large church school use the visual aids it should if each department or class must trot off to some special "projection room"? Both time and proper attitude are lost in transit. A visual aid



PROJECTION STANDS: Left: Filmstrip projection; right: motion-pictures. These stands have three special features: height; three legs, to stand solid; work-shelf for reel cans, etc.

can't be tightly integrated with a lesson if, in the middle of it, a class must suddenly move somewhere else. What happens to the worshipful spirit of children who are kept shuffling back and forth?

A Question of Quality

A certain church writes saying that it has stressed quality in its educational program for children and young people. It asks whether the general level of quality of visual aids is such that it ought to get started in their use. The answer is that for quite a while now projected visual aids have been matching the highest quality of curriculum. Yes, the water is fine, and deep enough! You can take the plunge! And you will probably be surprised at how invigorating it really is! We have a great body of A-V materials. Much of our material is equal to that in the

public-school field, and plenty is superior.

The church field today also has the finest system of evaluation of any of the great visual-aid areas. The "Audio Visual Resource Guide" of the National Council of Churches lists almost 2000 films and filmstrips, which have been appraised by church people who have background in both church work and audio-visual aids. These materials are rated, not by the producer or distributor, but by committees of users in all parts of the nation. These evaluations are then pooled to create a final evaluation, which appears in the "Resource Guide," and thus becomes available to every church in the country.

Quality-conscious leaders—and may their tribe increase!—will find much to choose from, and can rejoice that the output of high-grade material is accelerating.

Projection Screens

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Tripod screens can be used in many places because they are "self-supporting," can be adjusted to various heights and can be easily carried about. Every church should have such a screen.

Wall screens are thought of as permanent, or semi-permanent. However, they can be moved from room to room if the hangings to support them are standardized. In any room where projection is frequent, common sense and convenience call for a permanently installed screen.

How high should a screen be? The best way to check this is to seat one person at the back of the room, and another person up close to the screen. If the person at the back can see the bottom of the screen over the head of the person up front, you've got the right height for the screen. This same test can be made for a tripod screen.

Projector Stands

In the average local church the worst piece of A-V equipment is usually the stand that is used for the projectors. (Continued on page 24★)

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sibility and for which they assume complete charge. For those who feel there are not many tasks in the church for which they are talented, this is a job they can do and enjoy. On Friday or Saturday afternoon, the four women whose turn it is to clean finish their work and then sit down to hot coffee and Czech "kolaches"—delicious sweet rolls with cooked fruit on the top or inside. The system developed from the need for regular cleaning and the church's inability financially to hire a janitor. Now the women feel that they would not quickly give up the responsibility even if they could afford janitor service, because this personal touch with our church home gives us the same warm feeling we have toward our family homes.

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Czech-Moravian Brethren Church
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First Parish Church
Waterbury, Conn.

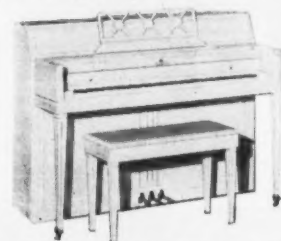
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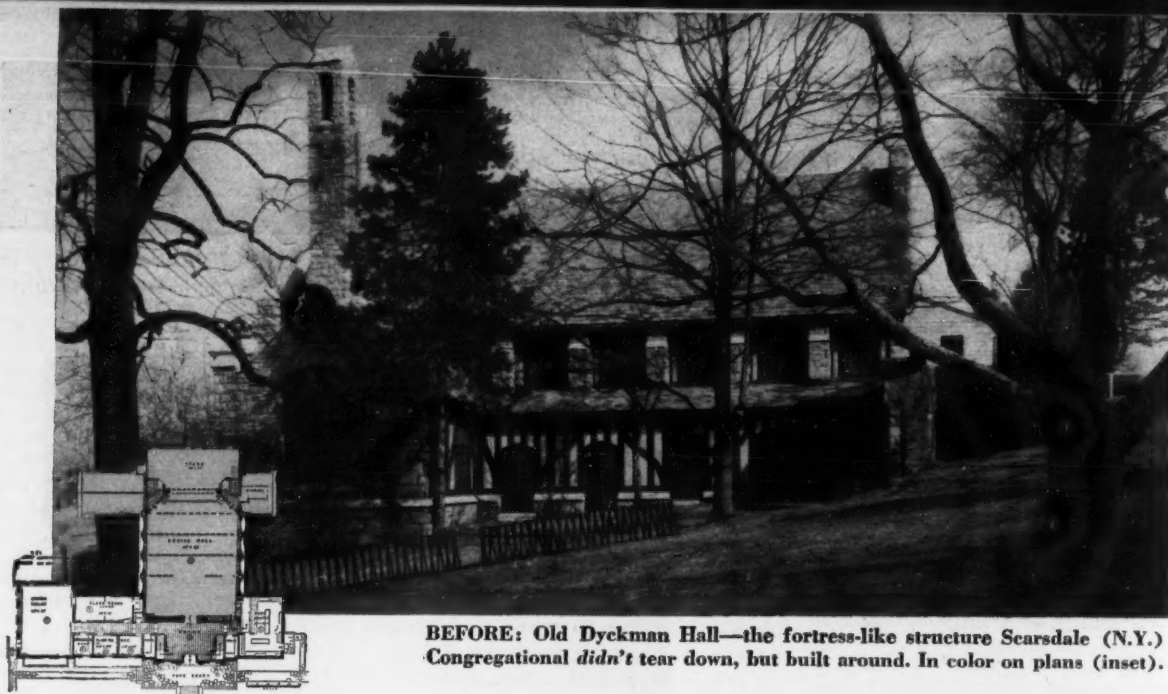


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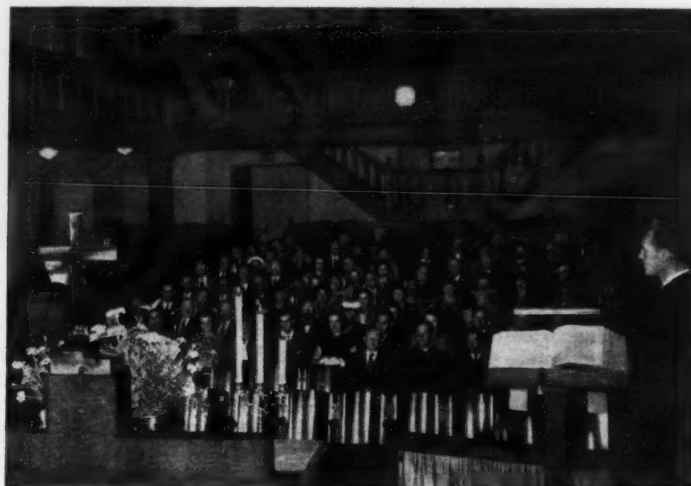
BEFORE: Old Dyckman Hall—the fortress-like structure Scarsdale (N.Y.) Congregational didn't tear down, but built around. In color on plans (inset).

THEY DIDN'T



The old kitchen was completely inadequate. It had no outside door, no refrigerator.

Right: Old Dyckman Hall was used for services before the new church was constructed.



Classes were conducted in alcoves around the auditorium of old building.

By **HARRY G. SANDSTROM**



THE local newspaper account of the dedication of the new parish house and educational building of Scarsdale Congregational Church, Scarsdale, N.Y., called the handsome Georgian Colonial structure "a miracle of transformation."

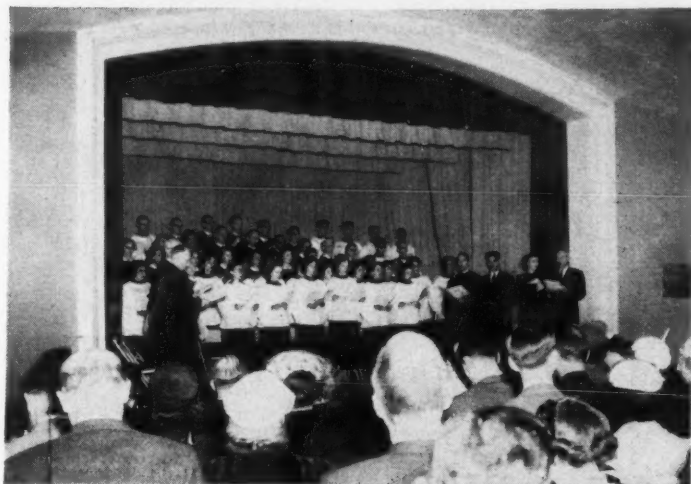
And this it very nearly is. The problem was how to utilize Dyckman Hall, the existing parish house, which once had served as the church building. The congregation had long since outgrown the space it afforded, but with its massive stone walls and slate roof, it had been built for the centuries. Could

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AFTER: New Dyckman Hall—added construction is shown in color on plans (inset). It now harmonizes in architectural style with church, built in 1950.

TEAR IT DOWN



The sparkling new Food Center—in marked contrast to old kitchen (opposite page).

Left: A concert is given in the handsome, refurbished and refinished Social Hall.

Dyckman Hall be modernized to add the needed space and facilities and also architecturally harmonize with the recently built church unit which was done in Georgian? Or should they do it the easy way: tear the structure down and start from the ground up? Minister Howard Stone Anderson and his people pondered.

The architects, Hall and Paufve, came up with an ingenious solution. Let the solidly built structure stand, and build around it!

The cost was \$265,000; it is estimated that \$100,000 was saved by

utilizing the old building. Total capacity of new Dyckman Hall is about twice that of the old.

THE original building was dedicated in 1922 as the Assembly Hall, thus named because the congregation lacked funds sufficient to build an entire church plant but felt they could serve their own immediate needs and the community's (at that time there was no large assembly room in the village) with the same building. The plan called for a sanctuary and additional educational as well as social facilities.

A combination of circumstances delayed this hope: (1) The village grew and zoning came, including the widening of the street and the eliminating of certain expansion possibilities for a rambling building. (2) In the '30's and '40's there occurred, in succession, the depression, the war and post-war period. (3) There also grew the conviction on the part of members, sifted like Gideon's Band by 25 years in Dyckman Hall, that they wanted something other than a Gothic sanctuary.

At the end of the '40's, new plans were drawn. These included a



Part of new construction is the Boynton Room, the church parlor, a large, attractive, well-appointed meeting place.



One of the new classrooms. Note the spaciousness and the ample, modern facilities. Learning comes easily here.

Georgian Colonial church 100 yards away, on the other side of the manse which now stands between the two buildings, and a remodeling project chiefly confined to doubledecking old Dyckman Hall into Sunday-school rooms. A building fund campaign was conducted under professional direction. But estimates and bids proved that the double project was beyond the immediate financial capacity of the congregation. Only the \$250,000 sanctuary (which included six first-floor

classrooms and a small chapel) was completed.

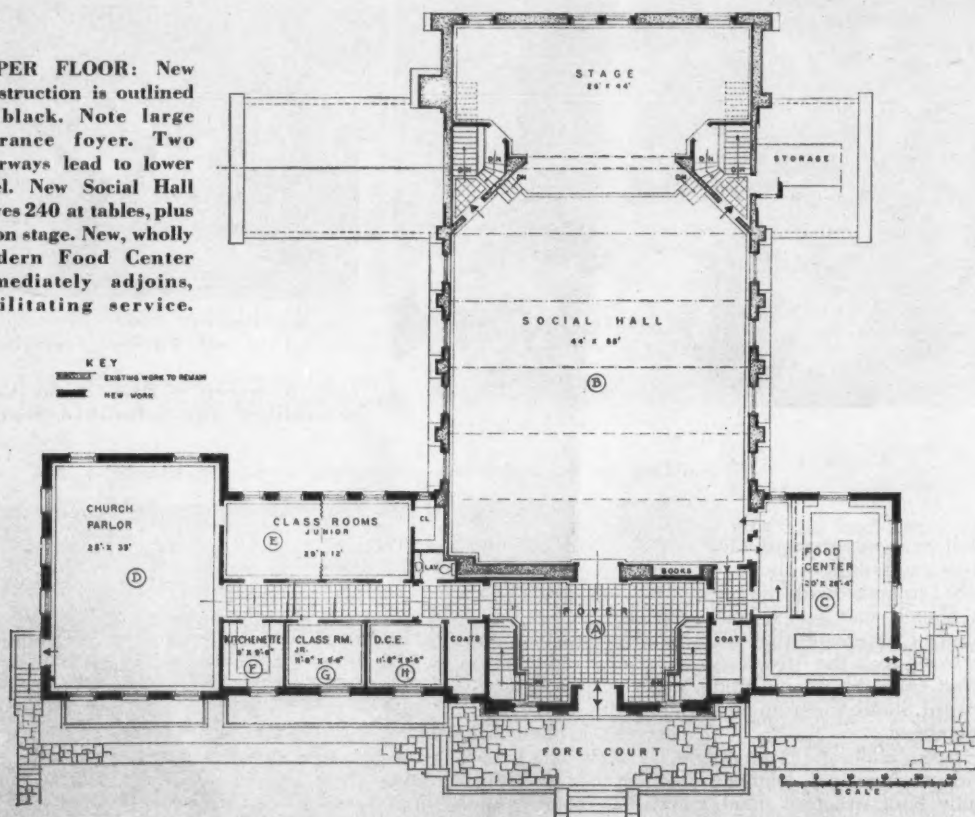
However, implicit in the sanctuary project was the promise that the church would proceed with the remodeling and enlarging of the educational building at the earliest possible moment. The church enjoyed rapid growth in the new sanctuary. Double services were inaugurated; membership increased by 700 in four years; budgets were doubled—and redoubled.

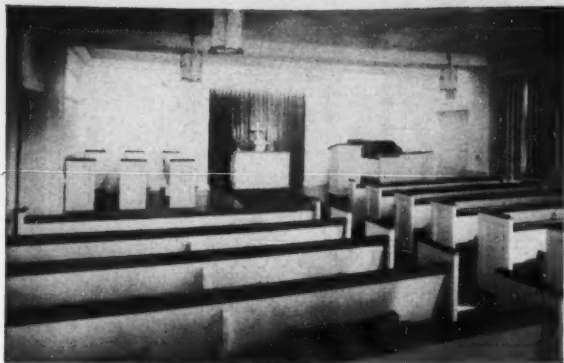
In 1953 the congregation voted to

go ahead with the enlarging of Dyckman Hall. They found that the delay had resulted in a need for an even larger plan than they had originally envisioned, and that the increased membership would provide the resources.

The balcony on three sides of the auditorium was completely torn out and a new floor added at about the level of the former balcony. The slope of the lower floor was straightened out; this gave one whole floor for classrooms

UPPER FLOOR: New construction is outlined in black. Note large entrance foyer. Two stairways lead to lower level. New Social Hall serves 240 at tables, plus 60 on stage. New, wholly modern Food Center immediately adjoins, facilitating service.





The pews and other furnishings are scaled down to small-fry size in Cunningham Chapel—the children's church.



A section of the new, comfortable and inviting nursery school. It is one of two beginners' rooms at Scarsdale.

and clubrooms as well as a children's chapel, located in a new wing. This chapel has pews and other furniture scaled down to small-fry size; it will hold about 90 children.

On the former balcony level more classrooms were built as well as a room for the Red Cross group, an office for the Director of Religious Education, and the church parlor, with its own kitchenette for serving light refreshments. Additional exits and entrances are provided for the safety of the chil-

dren. Even rest rooms have such features as exhaust fans controlled by the light switch.

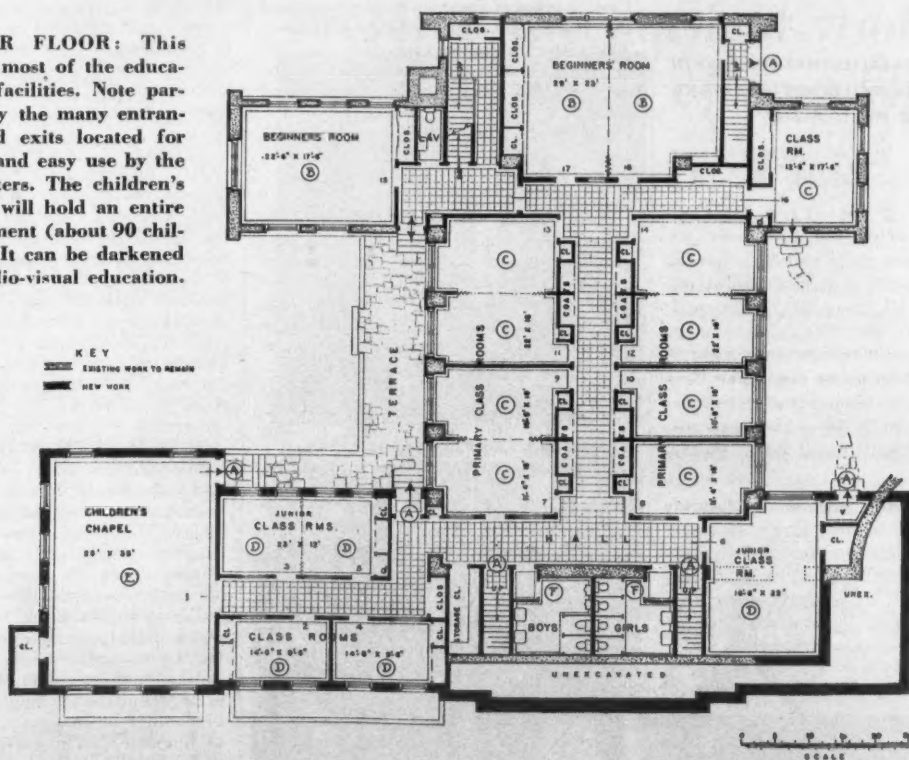
The upper part of the former auditorium was converted into a large social hall with the Food Center adjoining. A great deal of thought and study were given to the planning of the kitchen, located in a new wing. It is equipped with stainless steel cabinets and sinks; has new stoves, dishwasher and refrigerator. The former kitchen was small, dingy and entirely

inadequate; also, it had no service entrance. The new kitchen has such an entrance, for the delivery of food and supplies and for pickup of garbage. From this kitchen, meals can be served either cafeteria or waitress style; 300 can easily be served. Waitresses fill their trays without interfering with kitchen workers.

Scarsdale Congregationalists are glad they didn't tear down their old building, but instead built around it.

THE END

LOWER FLOOR: This houses most of the educational facilities. Note particularly the many entrances and exits located for safety and easy use by the youngsters. The children's chapel will hold an entire department (about 90 children). It can be darkened for audio-visual education.



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visual aid REVIEWS

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Films

TONY LEARNS ABOUT FIRE. An in-
creasing number of churches are becoming
interested in what can be done to protect
church-school children from the threat
of fire. Those interested in a children's
film on the subject will find this film
useful and effective. Presented as a docu-
mentary, which shows how a small fire
incident led to a lot of useful information
for a group of sixth graders, the film in-
structs children in what they can do to
protect themselves from this serious
danger. It is also useful for parents and
church boards. (Bureau Communications
Research, Inc.; 16 min.; color; free ex-
cept for postage.)

THE TOWN THAT CAME BACK is
a top-notch film for that family night
you've been planning. It is an absorbing
story of a community in action—of adults
and youngsters working together to revive
a dying Midwestern town. Their concern
and joint labors re-activate a Four-H-
Club, a sense of community is reborn, and
the process of social erosion is halted.
This inspiring documentary from real life
is an excellent film for youth meetings,
and for adult groups in the church and
community. Technical qualities are superb.
(Ford Motor Film Library; free through
local Ford Motor dealers; 28 min.;
color.)

THE SOUND OF A STONE. A young
high-school teacher is brought under
suspicion because a book he has recom-
mended is thought to be subversive. A
parent, without reading the book or con-
sidering the possible repercussions of his
act, makes a false accusation. Like ripples
from a stone tossed into a pond, waves of
vicious gossip sweep over the community
with swift and frightening destructiveness.
Even after the guilty parent publicly
recants, the reverberations of his baseless
charge continue to rumble through the

town in sinister and startling ways. In-
tensely dramatic, this provocative film
should be seen by both adult and youth
groups in churches, schools, fraternal or-
ders and service clubs. Content is en-
hanced by excellent technical qualities.
(Methodist Board of Social and Economic
Relations; 25 min.; B&W rental \$6; color
rental \$10.50.)

GETTING ALONG WITH PARENTS,
while aimed primarily at youngsters,
should also be seen by fathers and moth-
ers. It will help them to understand why
they are so often misunderstood by their
children. In this film a group of high-
school youngsters are anxious to have a
fling at an expensive and off-color dinner
place after a school dance. Although sure
that the idea will bring a chorus of no's
from their parents, the kids nevertheless
pounce on them one by one in their homes.
The no's are forthcoming as expected—but
for a wide variety of reasons. Just as an
impasse is about to be reached, one of
the mothers offers a solution. Good in
content and technical qualities, this film
is recommended for youth fellowships,
clubs and adult groups in church, school
and community. (Encyclopaedia Britannica
Films; 14 min.; color or B&W.)

**TOBACCO AND THE HUMAN
BODY.** Beginning with a short historical
prelude, the film gives an analysis of the
content of tobacco smoke, shows some of
the physiological effects of smoking, and
then sums up the factors to be considered
in deciding whether or not to smoke. Use-
ful with sixth graders and up, the film
provides incentive for discussion and moti-
vates further study of the subject. A good
film for all types of teen-age clubs. (En-
cyclopaedia Britannica Films; 15 min.,
B&W.)

A BOY OF MEXICO. Juan and his
father start out one morning with their
burro, Pepito, to collect firewood up on
the mountain in back of their village. Near
the top they come upon a motorist who
has run out of gas. To help the stranded
traveler, Juan rides down to the village
for gas—while the motorist helps Juan's
father to cut firewood. Essentially, that's
about all there is to the story. Yet by show-
ing, in extremely simple form, the basic
instinct for cooperation and camaraderie
to be found in all men everywhere, the
film achieves the warm, pulsating quality
of humanity itself. Designed for church
and school youngsters under Junior High
age, the film has also proved highly suc-
cessful with adults. (Coronet Films; 11
min.; color and B&W.)



"The Sound of a Stone": suspicion and
unfounded accusations in a small town.



"In the Face of Jeopardy" treats Communism versus Christianity in Malaya.

IN THE FACE OF JEOPARDY tells two stories, both of them highly dramatic. One concerns Douglas Crane, a tin miner in Malaya, and his hard fight between faith and fear. The other documents the current struggle between Christianity and Communism in Malaya—as representative of all Southeast Asia. Although it has no professional actors, the film has excellent technical qualities, and achieves high impact and power. Sponsored by eleven denominations, it is designed to help the churches in their 1955-'56 study of the theme: "Christian Missions in a Revolutionary World." (Broadcasting and Film Commission; 28½ min.; color rental \$12; B&W rental \$8.)

THE "Y" ON WORLD FRONTS deals with the far-flung work of the YMCA. It is one of the best "missionary" documentary films to have been produced in a long time. It covers Italy, Egypt, Greece, Palestine and Ethiopia—where we see the bridgeheads which have been established against ignorance, poverty, disease and Communist pressures. Highly recommended for youth and adult "Y" groups as well as church groups who are interested in seeing the variety of effective techniques by which the YMCA is bringing Christianity and democracy to the youth of many countries. (YMCA World Service; 28 min.; color; apply for rental.)

Filmstrips for the Fall

SEEDTIME AND HARVEST (\$5) uses the Bible—and a garden—to teach a lesson about God's world. WHY WE HAVE THANKSGIVING (\$6) traces this event from Bible times and leads up to THE STORY OF THANKSGIVING (\$5) which shows how the American Pilgrims observed this day. AUTUMN IS HERE (\$5) is composed of photographs showing typical fall scenes, and can be used by a teacher in developing concepts of God's love and care. THANKSGIVING WITH JESUS, showing the feast of Booths, or Succoth, illustrates how a Jewish family would have observed Thanksgiving at the time of Jesus. Although designed for Juniors, these strips can be adjusted by the teacher to the needs of Primary children. (Society for Visual Education.)

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GETTING THE MOST OUT OF VISUAL AIDS

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All kinds of tables are used, but usually none is high enough. This necessitates leaving an aisle right up through the middle of the best viewing area of the room. In order to raise the projector so that its light beam is over the heads of the audience, boxes, crates and hymnals are brought in and the projector is piled on top of this wobbling heap.

On p. 16° is a picture of two stands. The smaller is for a filmstrip projector. It is 47½ inches high, weighs 8½ pounds and is made of oak, except for the work shelf, which is of plywood. The top shelf is 7½ by 15½ inches; the work shelf, 9½ by 18 inches. The larger stand is for a heavy-duty motion-picture projector. It is 50 inches high, and weighs 16 pounds. The legs are oak, and the shelves ¾ inch plywood. The top shelf is 18 by 18 inches; the work shelf, 16 by 20 inches.

With three legs these stands are less likely to tip over, or wobble on an uneven surface. Also it is easier to work around a three-legged stand.

The bracing on these stands gives them absolute rigidity. And their height, besides assuring that the projection beam will be over the heads of even the tallest members of the audience, enables the machine operator to work without having to squat.

The Control of Seating

For an ordinary lecture program all parts of a room (theoretically, at least) can be used to seat an audience. This, however, is not the case with a visual program. Unless the seating pattern is controlled, a great many people will get a faded and distorted image.

It is characteristic of screens with beaded surfaces to reflect the light straight back toward the source. This means that you must have a seating pattern which will place as many people as possible straight back from the screen. Further, they must not be placed very far to either side.

A certain Primary superintendent once placed her 30 children in two curved rows of 15 each. The film was excellent, it was closely related to the lesson and the follow-up conversation was good. But only about 10 of the children had really seen the film. The others had been seated so far to either side that all they had seen were distortions of mass and color.

Co-operative Libraries

Churches still imagine that they can pool their visual materials and thus cut the cost of buying new ones. In practice this idea has not worked out, but because the news of its failures has moved around slowly, many

churches still think the idea is sound. The reason it doesn't work is that churches tend to need the same materials at the same times. A filmstrip on the Triumphal Entry is likely to be in demand by a number of churches on the same Sunday. The same holds true for materials appropriate to Thanksgiving, Christmas, Lent and Easter.

Also, visual materials ought to be close at hand so that they can be easily previewed. When materials are held in a pool this accessibility is often lessened. It is thus harder for A-V leaders to work with teachers and others in making decisions on materials. As a result, teachers soon lose interest because of the delay and bother involved.

Here and there churches have prepared a catalogue of all the materials owned by a group of neighborhood churches so that borrowing could take place—if the desired materials were not required by the church that owned them. This arrangement has helped—but the ideal plan is for each church to build its own A-V library.

Beyond Entertainment

Using films to entertain is easy; to give information is a bit harder; to cause people to think critically is harder still; to change people's attitudes is next to impossible; and hardest of all is to move them to worship. That's the way it is, but a lot of people don't know it, and attempts to achieve anything more than entertainment are often flops. Why? First, people usually don't have any conscious objective beyond entertainment. They say they are going to show a film. And that's it. They just present the film and let the results be what they will.

To get beyond entertainment takes purpose and planning. You must first know what you want to happen. Education extends from there on; entertainment, from there back. You must be specific about what you want to convey. What information? What inspiring or critical thoughts?

To do this, first preview and study your material. Now consider your group. What is its current thinking on a given subject? What does it know? What is its dominant attitude? Does it want to learn?

Prepare your group for what you are about to show them. Their attitude before a screen is usually in the general mood of entertainment. You must change it. You must try to get them mentally receptive to the material which you are about to show them. If you want to start them thinking, ask questions as you "introduce" your film. If you want them to be reverentially meditative, begin with a prayer. END

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THE CLOCK

(Continued from page 14★)

for the present they are unwilling or unable to adopt the double session, those who come after them are almost certain to accept the idea.

When a church school becomes crowded, the first thought is usually to knock out a wall so as to get more room. This adds to the space, but it may also add to the noise—and a confusion of sounds is the bane of most church schools. The greatest need is not for more square feet but for better teaching conditions, and the first of these is some degree of quiet. Any enlargement which does not provide this will make a church worse, not better.

In any new construction, sound separation should be a prime consideration. The best way to keep the church school from disturbing the church service is to put it in a separate building; the next best procedure is to have a considerable air space between them. Just how much real need there is for passing back and forth should be studied, and how the necessary traffic can be taken care of with the least disturbance.

The more a building is spread out on one level, the less will what is going on in one room interfere with what is going on elsewhere. This principle finds its ultimate expression in the campus style church, such as the Oneonta Congregational Church of South Pasadena, Calif., which is a group of buildings scattered over five acres of land. Colleges have thrived on this arrangement.

A new church is a new opportunity to control these matters. Yet we know of even new churches where the congregation upstairs can hear the piano being played downstairs. What happened was that the building committee and the architect got tired, money was becoming scarce, and somebody thought that acoustical controls were a good place to economize. On the other hand, Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church in Deer Park, Cincinnati, has enclosed the stair well and constructed the upper floor in such a way that no noise gets through. It can be done if someone will demand it.

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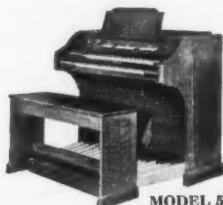
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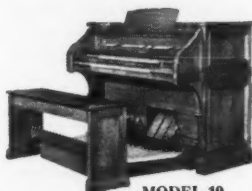
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A NEW DAY FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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blance of grouping persons according to age. It was a step toward relating the teaching methods a bit closer to the needs of the pupils.

With the passing of time, the Akron plan was discarded. However, its general idea was carried over to the closely-knit Sunday school department with its central assembly room and its satellite classrooms arranged around it. In this era, the curriculum was more closely geared to the life, interests and needs of the pupils. At least, the learner was given the advantage of working with those of his own age and interests.

Still, there was little variety in the learning procedure. All was accomplished in "opening exercises" and about the tables in very compact, restricted classrooms. Little, if any, attention was given to the dynamic factor of a pleasing environment as predisposing pupils to give a larger measure of sympathetic interest and attention to the learning experience. The planning and evaluation which arise out of the great variety of purposeful activities carried on by a democratic group, and which implement the learning processes, were not possible in the rooms and buildings designed.

True, a great deal was accomplished by these methods, yet in the minds of many, the curriculum and the teacher were still too much the centers of attention, and the capacities and interests and aptitudes of the children and their real needs were given too little consideration. Not satisfied, persons both in the field of Christian and secular education were giving more and more attention to bringing the teacher and the curriculum more closely into line with the needs of the growing individual.

With the passing of the years, there has been growing a greater reverence for the unfolding personality of the learning person. As a consequence, the pupil has now come more and more to the forefront. There is less and less attempt to impose arbitrary teaching procedures and the content of a fixed curriculum upon the learner. A greater effort is being made to find out what actually affects and captures the interests and changes the attitudes and the life of the person who is being exposed to religious teaching. This constant search for and emphasis upon the importance and sacredness of human personality, has led educators to ask humbly, "What sort of building, what teaching methods, and what curricula best serve in shaping Christian personality at each and every stage of development?"

With a view to meeting the space requirements a conference of architects, Christian educational leaders and church building secretaries convened in Chicago last October. Out of this three-day conference, certain recommended standards related to the new requirements of Christian education were set forth.

These findings emphasized the importance of larger numbers of pupils per room, a closer grading of pupils to permit gearing the learning process as closely as possible to the needs of each age group, a greater variety of learning experiences with active participation of pupils and teachers, and a consequent greater freedom of movement within the classroom.

In this framework, all activities such as Bible study, worship, memorization, music, dramatic expression and handwork for each age group are carried on in one room of ample area assigned to that group. The classroom procedures are to be under the direction of a leader and such assistants as are needed to give intimate guidance and encouragement to the pupils. Under this arrangement, the teacher does not dominate the learning situation, but guides and befriends the learners. Teaching is much less formal but is designed through a variety of purposeful activities to bring out the latent abilities of the individual. Likewise it seeks to inculcate a spirit of co-operation and respect for others.

The acceptance of these new concepts calls for significant changes in planning and equipping the Christian educational facilities of the modern

church. Such learning experiences as these cannot be made available in a small, cell-like classroom measuring some eight by ten feet. More space per pupil is required, a greater variety of furnishings and equipment is essential. The old departmental assembly room is no longer necessary: The sizable floor area thus previously used for only a few minutes a week for assembly purposes, is now put to better full-time use by providing larger classroom areas.

Adequate floor space, while essential, is not enough. Classrooms can and should, without extravagance, have quality as well as quantity. Color, light, beauty, "livability," good heating and ventilation, attractiveness, good proportions, control of sound, plenty of storage space, can by careful planning and selection of materials, make the pupils' environment conducive to a sense of pleasure and joy, and thereby create a fuller appreciation of the learning process.

To summarize this newer concept of Christian education, as reflected in the recommended standards which came out of the Chicago conference, let us consider the needs of the Sunday school by age groups.

Children

Where churches assume responsibility for the Sunday care of children under three years of age, it is important that their health, comfort and safety be safeguarded. The highest standards of sanitation should be maintained. Properly regulated temperature and light, fresh air without drafts, clean crib linen, readily cleaned floor and wall surfaces, facilities for storing and warming such food as the parents provide, and adequate accessibility to toilet installations are some of the essentials.

Floor space should be adequate to permit spacing cribs at three-foot intervals with not more than eight to ten cribs in each room. Where play pens are required, these must be kept hospital-clean and the room floor areas should allow plenty of space for their use.

Rooms assigned to small children should be on the first floor, above grade level, and preferably in a part of the building away from crowded corridors and traffic congestion. Children should not be put in basement areas or in rooms with no outside window exposure. Floor surfaces in their rooms should be warm, dry, and surfaced with linoleum, tile, or well finished hardwood of good quality, and supplemented with washable rugs to safeguard the health of these pupils who spend much of their time seated or at play on the floor.

To avoid crowding and consequent



INEVITABLE: A wrought-iron pulpit. Designed by him, the Rev. Edwin T. Brown, pastor, Trinidad Lutheran Church, San Antonio, Tex., is shown preaching from it. It is one of very few.

excessive stimulation, and to insure the careful supervision and freedom of movement so essential to their well-being, it is advisable to restrict the number of pre-school age pupils to not more than eight to ten pupils per room for those two years of age and younger, and twelve to fifteen pupils at age three.

Twenty-five to thirty-five square feet per pupil per room is recommended. Thirty to thirty-five square feet per child is rated *good*; twenty-five to thirty square feet per child is rated *fair*; under twenty-five square feet per child is rated *poor*.

Chairs and tables are used in limited numbers for children of this age. Tables, when used, should be twenty-four by thirty inches, and about eighteen inches high; chair seats should be eight inches high.

Kindergarten children, ages four to five years, can be successfully handled in groups not exceeding twenty-five in number in a single room, provided sufficient floor space is made available and a competent leader and assistants have carefully planned their teaching program in advance. Where the number of pupils exceeds twenty-five, separate rooms should be provided for the four- and five-year-olds. In larger church schools, a separate room should be provided for each twenty-five kindergarten children.

Although cribs and play pens are not required, ample open shelves and storage space are needed to care for the toys and many other accessories used by this age group. Tables of good wood smoothly finished, measuring twenty-four by thirty-two inches and twenty-two inches high, and substantial non-folding chairs of twelve-inch seat-height, are needed to supplement the other equipment for children of this age group. Floor space per kindergarten pupil is the same as that previously recommended.

Primary and junior aged pupils, grades one to six inclusive, call for larger pupil loads per room and slightly less floor space per pupil. Where attendance is thirty to fifty pupils, two grades can be combined in one room. Where attendance is in excess of fifty pupils, a room should be provided for each grade, with one room larger than the others to permit occasional assemblies of the department, if such is considered necessary.

At this age, twenty-five to thirty square feet per pupil is rated *good*; twenty to twenty-five is rated *fair*; and under twenty square feet per pupil is rated *poor*.

Primary chairs should be fourteen inches in height; tables should measure thirty by forty-eight inches, and twenty-four inches high. Junior chairs call for a height of sixteen inches, and

tables are to be thirty by sixty inches and twenty-six inches above the floor.

Youth

Junior high, high school and older youth lend themselves to a variety of organizational patterns with room space commensurate to the pattern adopted. Twenty junior high pupils and twenty-five pupils of other youth groups are recommended as a maximum pupil load per room.

Fifteen to eighteen square feet per pupil is rated *good*; twelve to fifteen square feet is rated *fair*; and ten to twelve square feet per pupil is rated *poor*.

The larger square footage per pupil is strongly recommended to provide sufficient space for informal procedures, pupil participation, and flexibility in use of the room for various types of activities related to the youth programs. Smaller spaces greatly restrict the teaching process, and practically dictate the use of the lecture method as the only means to be used. *In no case should a classroom be less than twelve by fifteen.*

Youth groups should have access to their own kitchen facilities and to the general fellowship hall of the church for social events and such special events as may be required to implement their teaching program. Dramatic productions, large social meetings where other youth are brought in, or even religious services requiring more floor space should be provided for, even if other rooms have to be assigned to youth for these special occasions.

Adults

In the current quest for better ways of meeting human needs, the adult age group is confronted with new patterns of organization with consequent effect upon the arrangement of the space and

A Prayer for Our New Church

O Master Architect who planned the world,
Who drew the vaulted arches of the sky,
Help us to plan a temple worthy of Thee,
Where sacrifice of praise may rise on high.

O Master Builder of the Living Church,
Help us to build with more than brick or stone;
May faith support, and love cement its walls,
And welcoming doors swing wide for sad and lone.

Teach us to build a noble edifice
Unmarred by human faults of life and creed;
Help us to build it broad and large enough
To satisfy the cries of human need!

—RALPH T. NORDLUND

equipment in the modern church building. The old-time larger adult classes, sometimes running into hundreds of members, with their programs, budgets and lecture type of teaching—which to all effects made them a church within a church—are giving way to groups not exceeding fifty persons who meet in separate rooms to discuss subjects of pertinent interest to the particular group. These smaller groups permit and encourage a friendly person-to-person fellowship and group discussion, with no one "lost in the crowd." Ten square feet per person provides adequate space for adult classrooms, but no classroom should be less than twelve by fourteen feet.

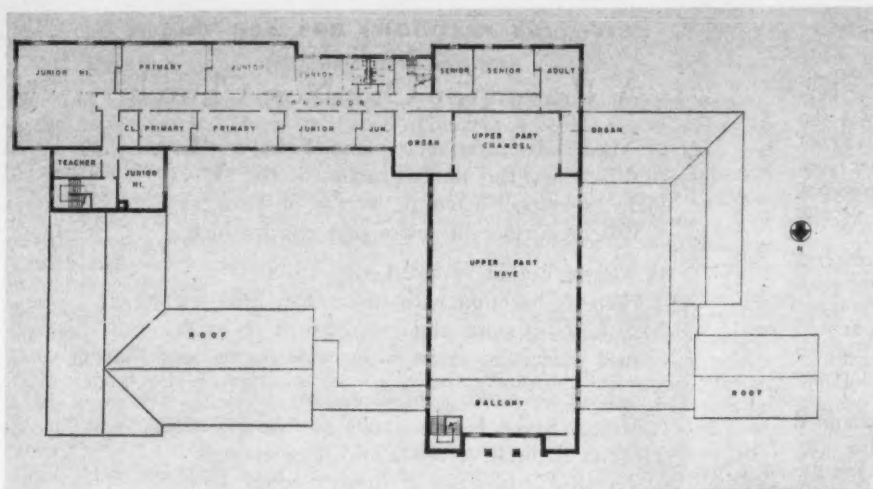
A pleasing environment, including properly-regulated, even temperature, fresh air, adequate light for adult eyesight but without glare, cheerful pastel colors for walls, attractive floor covering, carefully selected religious pictures, substantial, comfortable chairs, with neatness and cleanliness obvious, are essential for adult rooms.

Young adults are thronging our churches in great numbers, and the wise church will provide attractive, homelike rooms for the varied activities of all these groups.

Rooms for older adults should be located as near sidewalk level as possible to make stair climbing unnecessary. In some of the larger churches, special social and handicraft rooms are equipped to provide purposeful activities for the leisure time participation of the older members of the church.

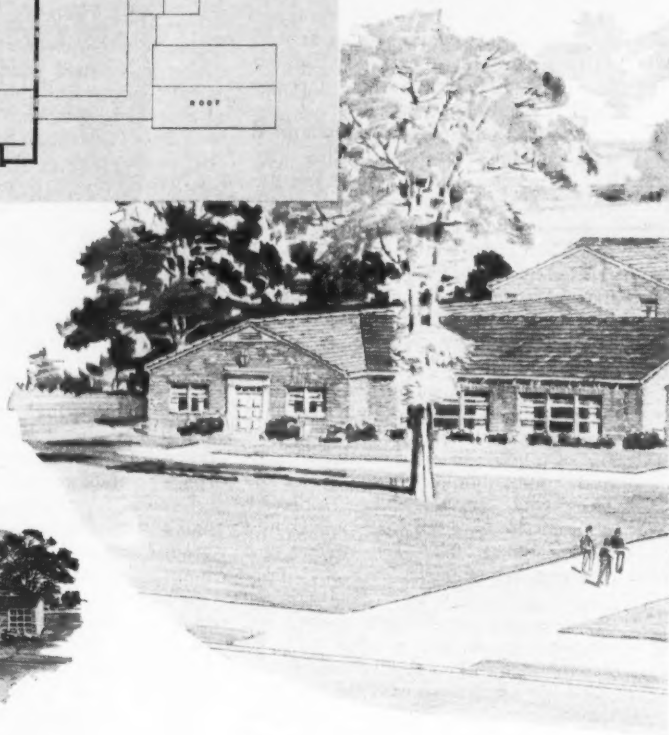
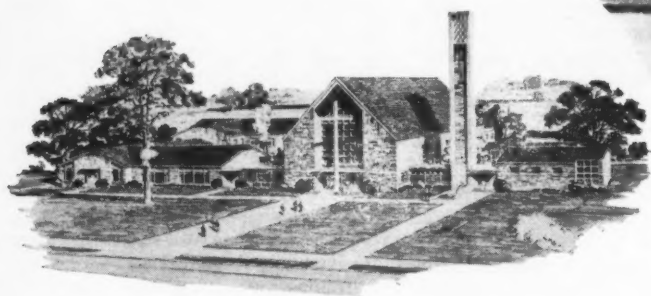
Other Area Needs

Plenty of well-planned storage space within the several rooms of the church permits storage of extra materials and equipment, and thereby makes possible the multiple use of space for a
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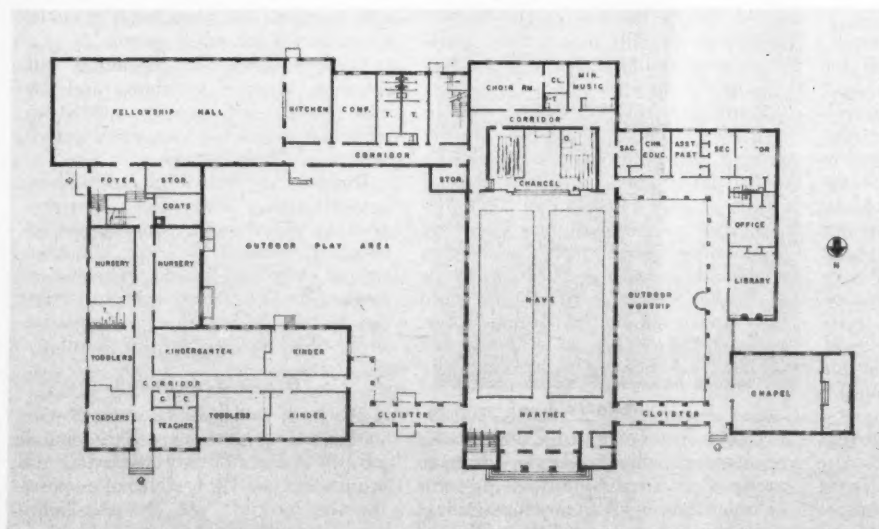


Second floor of planned educational unit. Unusually accessible rooms each have door opening onto corridor.

Large sketch shows entire projected plant, of Colonial design. Smaller sketch was the original scheme incorporating same floor plan but with contemporary exterior.



A 'BRANCH' CHURCH

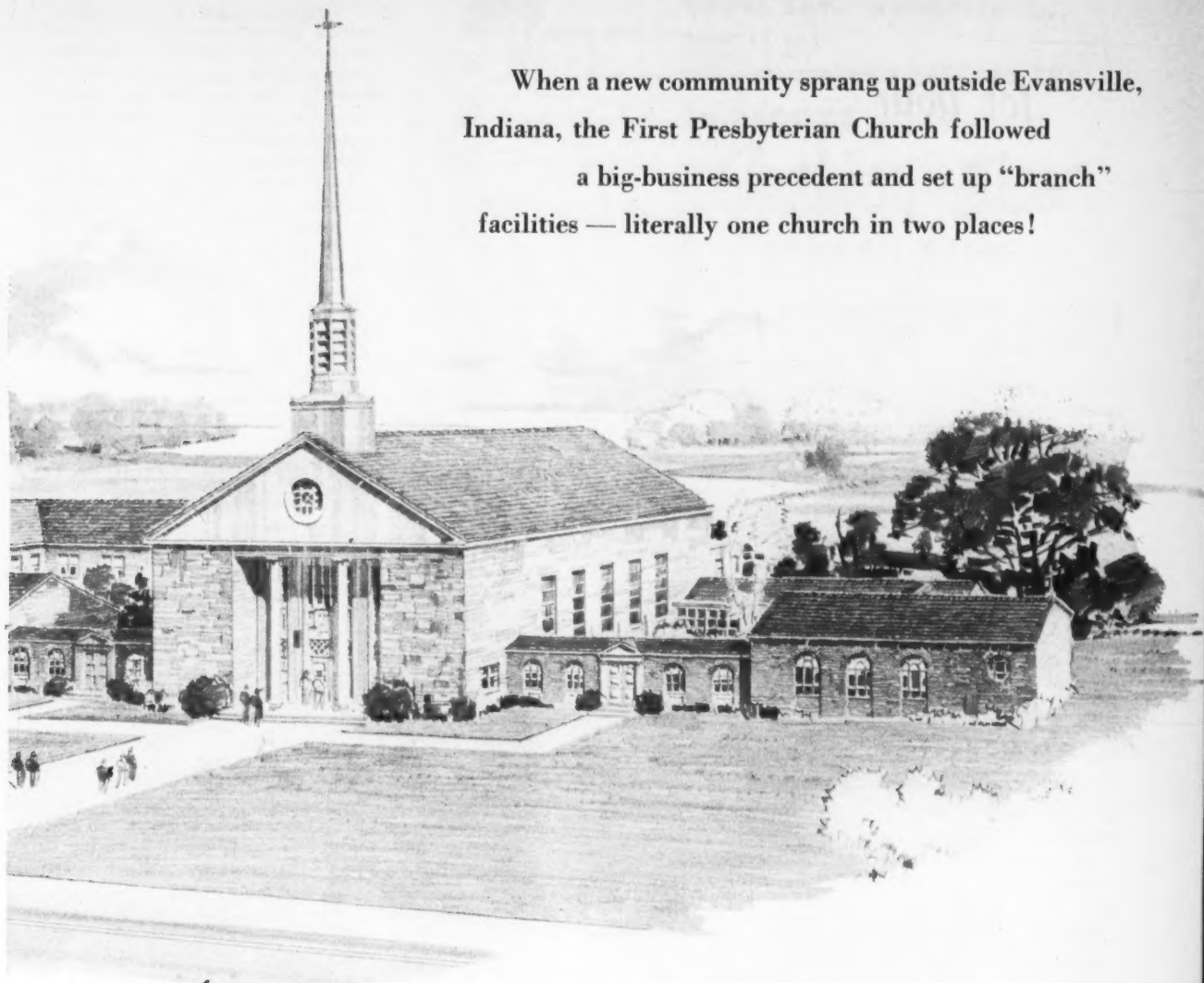


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First-floor classrooms are for youngest children. Administrative unit provides offices for pastor, assistant pastors, educational director, choir master and minister of music. Planned also are choir rooms, sacristy, library, parlor and chapel. The sanctuary will seat 655. Fellowship hall can be converted to classroom space whenever needed.

CHRISTIAN HERALD

When a new community sprang up outside Evansville, Indiana, the First Presbyterian Church followed a big-business precedent and set up "branch" facilities — literally one church in two places!



IN THE SUBURBS

MANY downtown churches have too little space for expansion, yet are conscious that they must expand to meet the educational needs of children in fast-growing suburban areas. They can sell the downtown property and move to the developing outlying district. Or they can continue their important downtown ministry, meanwhile establishing a second church in the area where opportunity beckons.

First Presbyterian Church of Evansville, Indiana, did the latter.

There are ample business precedents. Within the past decade large department stores and banks have realized the value of suburban branches. And if big business finds it profitable—why shouldn't the city church?

First Presbyterian Church began

in 1821 as the first religious organization in a pioneer town, and for 134 years has been meeting the needs of a fast-growing city. Its original 12 members grew to be more than 1500.

Now, about five or six miles outside the city limits is one of those mushrooming communities that have developed since the last war. Its population consists largely of young folks working in town, home owners anxious to raise their families in fresh air and sunshine. The community, however, had been without a church. The spiritual development of the children was lacking until First Presbyterian recognized the need and assumed the responsibility for a religious program.

In 1950 a large piece of property was purchased and in 1951 an educational program and worship services were begun in the public school build-

ing. In 1952 a modest one-story building was erected largely through the generous bequest of one of the churchmembers. It was arranged to carry on a threefold program of worship, religious education and Christian fellowship. Within a year, more than 200 were enrolled in the church school, a day nursery was established and spaces were forced to serve dual purposes as this ministry to the community quickened.

Last year the obvious expansion need became so pressing that the church laid out a building program for a full and complete plant and conducted a highly successful financial campaign among its members. Construction is now under way.

The new project is not a mission church in the usual sense. The activities are an integral part of the down-

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town First Presbyterian Church. All is developed as one program, organized and administered by one corps of leaders, served by one staff. Each section serves the other. Basically, it is one church in two locations.

Upon completion the new group of buildings will comprise a sanctuary seating 506 in the nave, 98 in the balcony and 51 in the choir—a total of 655. There will be a fully departmentalized religious education unit with facilities for 475 pupils exclusive of adults, a chapel seating 125 and an efficient administrative unit with a business office and workroom, offices for the pastor and assistant pastors, educational director, choir master and minister of music. In addition, there will be choir rooms, a sacristy, library and church living room.

The new fellowship hall will be located under the nave with a dining capacity of 375. Complete and modern kitchen facilities are incorporated in the plan, together with a large stage for religious pageants and dramatics, dressing rooms, toilets and storage rooms for chairs, tables and scenery.

The school facilities have been planned in conformity with the latest standards of space and group capacities established by religious educators and child psychologists at the Conference on Christian Education held last fall in Chicago under the auspices of the National Council of the Churches of Christ.

Departmental rooms for the younger children are located on the first floor where entrances and exits are at ground level. Two of the rooms have direct access to the children's toilet which is conveniently located in relation to the other children's rooms as well. It would have been ideal had each of the children's rooms had direct communication to a toilet—but budgetary limitations did not permit this convenience.

AS the attendance increases and the need arises, additional children's rooms are planned by the conversion of the existing fellowship hall. The existing kitchen, to be retained, provides hot food for the day nursery during the week as well as snacks for the Sunday-school children.

The primary, junior, junior high and senior departments are placed on the second floor which is added to the existing one-story building. Each age group is a self-contained unit and will hold its own simple devotional service and instruction period in its own room and with its own teacher and assistants. The two large junior rooms are separated by a folding partition, which when opened enables the entire department to meet together for its worship program.

Every room can be reached without

passing through any other room; each one has a door opening upon a main corridor. With the elasticity and accessibility thus provided, one room or a group of rooms can be allotted to any specific department as the need may arise from year to year.

In the educational unit, the interior keynotes will be cleanliness, simplicity and ease of maintenance. Ceilings will be acoustically treated, the exposed masonry walls of cement block painted in pleasing and restful colors and the floors finished with tile.

EACH room will be equipped with chalkboards and tackboards, especially designed cabinets for coat and hat storage, cupboards and shelves, and storage shelves for teachers' use. One age group will have sink and counter equipment for clay modeling and painting activities.

The building group has been designed by Merrill and Holmgren of New York, in simple, straight-forward Colonial. The characteristics of the style are retained but meaningless ornamentation is eliminated.

The original one-story structure of red brick established the color and material of the two units flanking the centrally placed sanctuary itself. The importance of the latter has been emphasized by using Indiana limestone of varying warm buff tones, laid in random rectangular ashlar pattern. Further emphasis will be given by the bright aluminum spire over the narthex. Roof surfaces will be covered with a blue-gray slate.

The educational unit, the sanctuary and the connecting arcade form an enclosed lawn and garden to be used by the younger children for their play activity session in the mild months. Classrooms open directly upon the space. On the other side of the group a similar lawn will serve for outdoor worship services conducted from the elevated pulpit with the congregation seated among the flowering shrubs and under shade trees.

Cost of entire project is expected to be about \$750,000. The educational unit, first to be constructed, will cost \$225,000.

THE END

Notes on New Churches

FUND-RAISING RECORD

A total of \$733,437 was raised during the two weeks of a building fund drive for First Methodist Church, Wichita, Kan. The Rev. Donald R. Meredith, pastor, believes the drive may have set a record for quick collection in a long-term campaign. Original goal was \$1 million over a five-year period ending in 1960.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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great number of diversified programs.

While much that has been said refers to the more formal procedures of Christian education, the less formal activities of the church should not be overlooked. Increasingly, it is recognized that some of the informal social occasions or craft activities which bring small groups of the same age together, go far in interesting them in the program of the church. In these days of rapid movement of population, often young couples and their children are uprooted from their home community, and drop down into a new situation where they have few, if any, friends or acquaintances. These people may find it difficult to discover a church in which they feel at home unless informal overtures are made to them.

The large fellowship room so necessary to the church should provide at least ten square feet per person when the assemblage is seated at tables, and some eight square feet when chairs are arranged in formal seating. Now that audio-visual equipment is so widely used, provision should be made in this room for the control of light, and outlets both for projection of pictures and sound effects. Sound control here as well as in corridors and classrooms is very important. The speakers for sound projection should be installed in the front of the room above the heads of the audience and not placed on the stage as is the common practice. While stages and gymnasiums are being less and less used by the average church, they should be included where they will be used. Modern lighting equipment makes possible a satisfactory arrangement without resorting to the costly professionally-equipped stage.

The church kitchen should receive special consideration. The kitchen should have ample space for workers. All equipment should be so placed as to permit an orderly movement of food processing. The arduous toil of volunteer workers will be lightened by the use of good quality appliances such as dishwashers, meat slicers, electric coffee urns, and rubber-tired carts for transporting silverware, dishes and food. Adequate window serving areas, especially if the meals are served cafeteria style, are important. Wherever possible, it is best to have a serving room equipped with separate entrance and exit doors. This will keep the waiters out of the kitchen and will provide a double sound barrier between the noisy kitchen and the fellowship hall.

This is what Christian educators are saying today. This is the direction the Sunday school will be taking for some years to come.

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HOW IS YOUR TITLE?

Legal strings can tie your hands when your church starts to build, relocate or even take out a mortgage. Here's how to forestall such unwelcome complications

ALL TOO often ministers and trustees take it for granted that they have a clear legal title to the land on which their church and parsonage have been erected. Questions seldom arise on this kind of ownership, but when they do they usually come at an awkward moment, and they can cost the church a great deal of money before all the legal knots are untied.

One unhappy situation into which a congregation can stumble is to find—halfway through the building of a new church—that additional funds must be borrowed to complete the construction. A bank agrees to make a loan, using the church's land as collateral, and a search of the title is made. What is discovered is that there are half a dozen "defects" in the title, all of which will have to be remedied before clear ownership can be established. As a result, while the mortgage is held up, the half-built church is literally left hanging in the air.

There are any number of legal "defects" which can cloud an otherwise clear title of ownership. A congregation, for example, may have never had its property surveyed. When it finally does it finds that a corner of its church is resting on a neighbor's property—or that half the neighbor's house is on church property. Another defect may be an old and forgotten mortgage. A loan—secured by a grant mortgage, a trust deed or an ecclesiastical mortgage, may have been made to a church by its denomination. Since the loan was made sixty years ago, no one in the present congregation finds out about it until the congregation tries to sell its land or get another mortgage on it. Most denominational loans provide that if a church sells its land and ceases to be an active unit in the denomination, it must repay the loan immediately. Denominational boards are invariably co-operative in straightening out loan problems, but since such

problems are often complicated, a board must be given considerable time in which to weigh all the angles. As a result, before a title company can satisfy itself that a church has clear title to land which it wishes to sell or mortgage, a church may have to wait a long while for money that it could use immediately.

Other obstructions to a clear title are old tax liens, paving liens or sewer assessments which sometimes date back to the time before the land was purchased by the church. Although such obligations should be cleared up the moment a church takes title to a new piece of property, they are often ignored until they are long past due and have accumulated a sizable penalty interest.

Although land normally becomes tax-free once a church is built on it, the church's officers often forget to have the necessary notation entered on the tax collector's records. And while tax officials are usually lenient with a church, they're not always able to effect a compromise settlement after a great many years have passed—with the result that the church may then have to undertake an expensive court procedure to clear its title.

OCCASIONALLY a church pays off a mortgage, receives a formal discharge from the mortgagee, and then forgets to record the discharge at the local courthouse. The church then proceeds to destroy the discharge and mortgage at a mortgage-burning celebration, instead of using blank pieces of paper. Fifty years later the congregation discovers that because the mortgage was never properly "satisfied," it is now necessary to locate the mortgagee's heirs and obtain from them a "quit-claim deed" or similar instrument of "satisfaction." Heirs not only have a way of scattering to the four corners of the world, but they sometimes turn

out to be minors—for whom a guardian must be appointed by the court before any legal documents can be signed on their behalf.

One particularly frustrating legal situation is to have land donated to a congregation by means of a deed which the donor has filled with what he feels are desirable restrictions. One common restriction is that the property is to be used only for religious purposes. While this seems reasonable enough to a congregation about to erect a church, what is seldom foreseen is that fifty years hence it may become necessary—because of unusual changes in the community—for the congregation to sell the property and relocate the church. Since the property can be sold only to another church, however, and since the other churches in town may also be planning to relocate, the first congregation may then discover that, because its land is virtually worthless, it now cannot raise the money needed to relocate the church.

A donor may also stipulate in his deed that the property is never to be mortgaged. While no church is anxious to get into debt, it may find that, to minister adequately to its growing community, it will have to undertake a considerable expansion of its worship and educational facilities. Even after its members have made the most generous contributions, the church may still find that it has to take out a mortgage. But this it cannot do because of the donor's restriction. In short, in seeking to promote the ministry of a church, a donor, through a short-sighted restriction, may actually succeed in doing precisely the reverse.

The moral, therefore, is that property rendered unto God should be made God's completely—without any legal strings which can either tie a church's hands or keep a sword of insolvency dangling over its head. **END**

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